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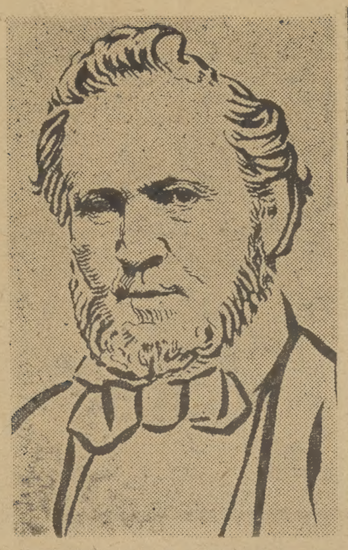

BRIGHAM YOUNG
Pioneer Leader, July 24, 1847

UTAH PIONEER HONORED

By Leslie R. Korth

On Sunday June 8 the decendents of one of Utah's July 24, 1847 pioneers, George W. Brown, gathered at Pacheco Park near Martinez to pay honor to the memory of this worthy man.

George W. Brown joined the Church in the early days, and became a very close friend of Brigham Young. He was one of the first to set a plow in the dry earth.

When Brigham Young saw fit to colonize other parts of the territory, Brother Brown was one of those called to do this work.

Taking his family, together with several other families, he settled in Wasatch Valley not far from Charleston, Utah of today. There he made his home and reared his family. Since then the family has increased, and spread abroad on the land.

Among those present at Pacheco Park on this occasion were: From Martinez, Leslie R. Korth, Edna M. Korth, Boyd Duke, Bessie Duke, Robert B. Stephens, Ilene Stephens, Kenneth Stephens, Joan Duke, George Duke, David Duke, Vivian Rorick, Ancil E. Rorick, Jessie Johnson, Joyce Calicura, Frank Calicura, Maxine Calicura, Sammy Calicura, Maxine Katzemayer, Billy Katzemayer.

From Concord, Winifred L. Hermansen, Luella Hermansen, Carol, Jo Anne, Anna, and Vera Hermansen, Jessie Johnson.

From Walnut Creek, Rudolph M. Korth, Pamela, Wayne, and Susan Korth;

From Richmond, Jack Worlund, Joseph S. Brown, Edward J. Wor-

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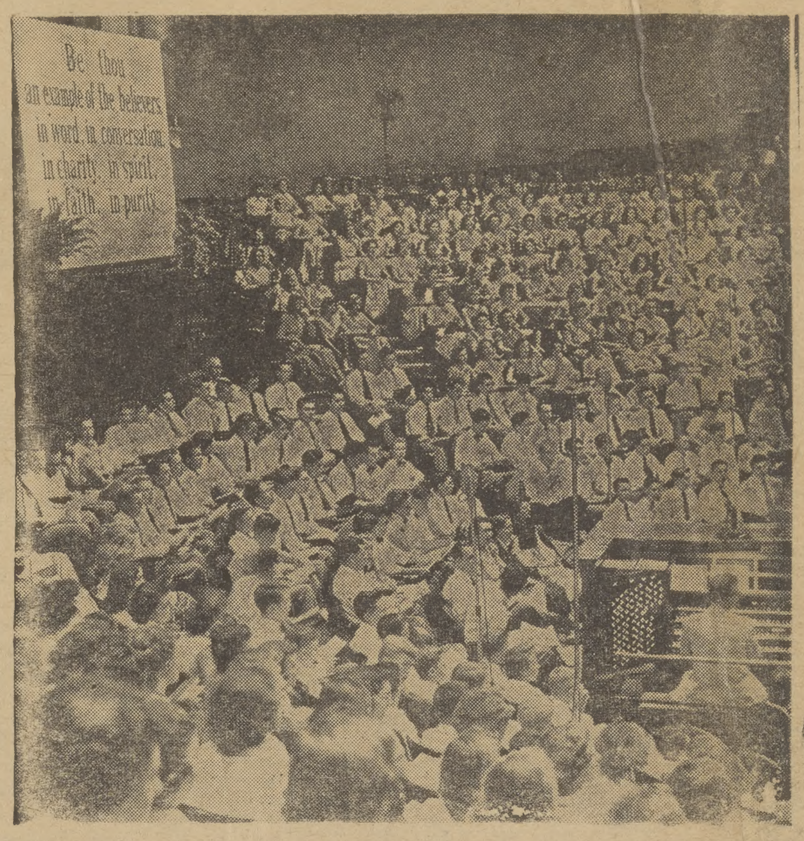

Mia Boys and Girls Sing in the Tabernacle at June Conference, Salt Lake City. At the last session of Mia Conference, Sunday June 15, 600 Boy Scout Explorers, Bee Hive Girls and Mia Maids from a dozen stakes won high honors and praise for their exquisite singing of six hymns. Directed by Miriam J. F. Farnsworth and George I. Cannon and accompanied by the great organ these youths really reached heights supreme in volumne, unity, and feeling.

Liahona Lodge Wrecked By Snowpack Two Structures Almost Total Loss

First hand reports of the exact condition now existing at the Liahona Campsite high on the Stanislaus were made by a special commit ee to the Club's monthly officers and directors meeting June 19 in Oakland.

Charles Maurer, building contractor and forman of construction of the main lodge structure and the utility house reported in five crisp words, "It is a total loss."

Upon questioning forman Maurer expressed belief that some of the lumber could be salvaged if worked over promptly. However, the utilization of such salvaged lumber was described as inadvisable by Howard Dunn, an experienced engineer. He declared that pine lumber was too soft for a large canyon lodge which must stand heavy snow pack pressures.

A. D. Ericksen, chairman of the lodge committee, said he felt the lodge might well be compressed in width so as to allow for a shorter span and a steeper roof, and also that some of the salvaged lumber could be used for sheathing, and in other ways.

Charles Maurer then recommended the use of the possible salvaged boards and dimension lumber for erection of small tent-cover structures that would house from six to ten persons each. He and others voiced a preference for Douglas Fir for the Main Lodge construction at a later date, but felt we could now proceed with speeded salvage operations and rather prompt construction of several simple tent-covered sleeping quarters for use during the 1952 season by group and family camp site users.

Wm. B. Clements of San Leandro, one of the party to view the "ruins" on the Stanislaus told of the broken 1000-foot water main. He had observed six breaks where the weight of the snow had bent the sturdy 3-inch main and caused the pipes to strip threads and draw apart at the six points. This, however, said Mr. Clements, could be readily repaired and put into service again.

Sentiment of the committee members seemed to agree upon the general idea that the lodge should not be rebuilt this year, but that all efforts now should be spent, first in salvaging the mess of broken walls and roofs, second, in putting the water main into use, third, in rebuilding the utility house with its showers and toilets, and fourth, erecting as many tent-covered structures as possible, and as soon as possible. Committees for each of these departments of work were authorized to be appointed by President Dennis Lauper. Work will begin forthwith, and July 4 will be a big week end work period for as many as possible.

RUINED UTILITY HOUSE LIAHONA CAMPSITE

Here, by some strange stress, the roof seems to have been broken in the mid-part of the ridge ,one half of the structure pulling away from the other half. One end of the building can be seen standing alone and straight like a Hollywood stage property.

Photo by William B. Clements

MIA Excursion Train Goes To Salt Lake

The Union Pacific provided a special train for 216 LDS passengers from Los Angeles who thus traveled to the July Conference in Salt Lake City by rail.

Sponsored and promoted for several years by Ned Redding, LDS publisher of several newspapers in the Southland including the Church organ there. "The Intermountain News," the fares

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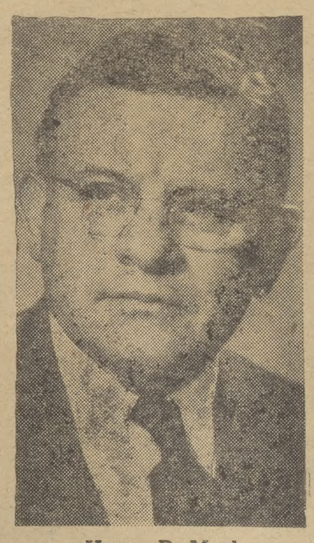
Mass Performance Swell Attendance

June MIA Conference Draws Spotlight of Church



Henry D. Moyle

The Oakland Stake Quarterly Conference met Saturday and Sunday, June 28 and 29. The Sunday services convened in the Oakland Civic Auditorium Theatre. Henry D. Moyle of the Council of the Twelve represented the General Authorities.

California both north and south was well repreesnted in Salt Lake City for the 47th annual MIA Conference June 12-15.

Briefly phrased this record Mutual gatherings adds up as follows: clear skies, warmish weather, refreshing breezes; temple square with fresh lawns and colorful flower-beds; the Tabernacle packed with near 10,000 singers and hearers; U. of U. stadium jammed with estimated 35,000 spectators and 5000 performers; Kingsbury Hall crowded for Drama and Speech Festivals.

Other top attention winning features in the City of the Saints during these three event-tight days were: vistas of tree-lined streets boarded by spacious bright green lawns; bubbling street drinking fountains of canyon cold water; news papers still selling at five cents, and ten on Sundays, the angel Moroni almost latticed in by scaffolding for regilding the angel; Utah State Legislature's special session addressed by W. Averill Harriman, candidate for nomination for the presidency; an European cablegram of felicitation coming to the Conference from President David O. McKay and another sent to him by unanimous vote of 8000 up-lifted hands; a telegram of greeting from Coleen Hutchins, the LDS miss who currently is on tour as Miss America of 1952.

Starting Thursday night with the Drama Festival in U. of U.'s Kingsbury Hall, the 1952 MIA June Conference was opened formally when an eager audience filled the Tabernacle Friday morning to hear an address by Pres. Stephen L. Richards decrying the spreading moral scourge of gambling.

Friday afternoon with the Tabernacle again full 7000 Mutual workers thrilled to the singing of the new MIA Song, "In Triumph We Shall Sing," and to a short but spiritly talk by the author of the words, 98 year-old Ruth May Fox. Marion G. Romney, and Mark E. Peterson of the Council of Twelve left a message of unlifted ideals with the large audience.

SPEECH AND DANCE FESTIVALS

Friday evening brought three highwater marks of the Conference. First, the Speech Festival at 5:30 p.m., the Relay Race finals at the University of Utah stadium, 7 to 8 p.m. ,followed immediately by the great Dance Festival, 8 to 10 p.m.

Saturday gave a full day to over 30 department sessions and for dozens of breakfast and luncheon affairs, and then ended the day in a symphony of glory, the Music Festival in the Tabernacle at 8 p. m.

Sunday gave the Confeernce on a special mood of worship, and dedication. Beginning with the Tabernacle Choir Broadcast at 8 a.m., followed by a General Session of choicest music and an address by Pres. J. Reuben Clark, the Conference closed with a 2 p.m. "Conference of Latter-day Saint Youth." Besides great music, great messages were heard from the lips of Elders Le Grand Richards, Harold B. Lee, and Pres. J. Reuben Clark.

Conference Attended By Many Localities

MIA workers at the June Conference from Berkeley Stake Included Herb Macey, Sid Feller, Alma Deane Feller, Nola and Clyde E. Sullivan, Ione Burskirk, Miriam and Heber Ellsworth, Janet Ellsworth, Orval Ellsworth, Valentine Dahlin, Mareen Weels, Jerry Hawkins, Fern Moiser, Mildred Hicken, Virginia Uffens, Dawna Erickson, Dave McClelland, Marie Hurn, Donna Teeples, Wally Scott, Roy Sella, Phil Lewis, Br. Mortenson, Velda Coffin, Marjean Williams, Margaret Kimber, Ruth Caine, Laura Summerhays, Joann Bybee, A. D. Erickson and Eleda drove up with Dawna and Dave; I. B. Ball attended for the Messenger.

From Santa Rosa Stake were the three of the Stake YM Superintendency and also the three of the Stake YL Presidency: Atto Mathews ,Jack E. Johnson, George Herron, Helen Brockhank, Imogene Allen, Mildred Mattews; and also Ralph Clark and Newell Standly of Vallejo Second Ward.

From San Francisco Stake reported in attendance were: Veda S. Bramwell, Gladys Wooten.

From Oakland Stake: Melva Rainey, Bonnie and Dick Colman, Gertrude Lesser, Doris and Ed Kingsford, Beatrice Larsen, Alta McClay, Myrtle Snarr, David Fuhriman, Grand Hopkins, Harvey Hansen, Laney Compton, Chloe Call, Rosalyn Call, Elinor Goodfell, Esther Decker, John and Mrs. Kai, Mr. and Mrs. Armis Ashby.

Statue of Moroni Atop S. L. Temple Gets New Gold Cover

The hammered copper statue of the Angel Moroni that surmounts the east central spire of the Salt Lake Temple soon will get a new coating of pure gold leaf.

The 12-foot five and one-half

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J. Edgar Hoover Pays Tribute "To The Bravest Man I Ever Knew," A Former Mormon FBI Agent

"I knew Sam Cowley well," the head of the FBI writes in the June 1952 Saga. "When I have said the bravest man I have ever known it is not because he shot it out with the cornered rat, "Baby Faced" Nelsan, not yet because he directed the manhunt which trapped and finished that other public braggart, John Dillinger. Many others would have acted just exactly as Sam Cowley acted in similar circumstances.

"Sam Cowley's courage was beyond heroics. He was brave enough to be scupulausly honest in little things as well as in big things. He didn't accept the easy way out by a half-truth, a white lie, or a turn of the head. It is said of Sam by those who knew him best that he never told a lie. However that may be, I know for a fact that he knew what was right, and did what was right, regardless of provocation. That's the kind of courage that can marry a man proudly from the cradle to the grave."

It was on July 22, 1934 that Sam Cowley headed the group of FBI agents who shot it out with John Dillinger, and it was a few months later when he was killed in a blaze of gunfire as he and an associate set out to capture Lester Gillis, alias "Baby Face" Nelson. The criminal Nelson was also killed in the exchange of gunfire.

Elder Samuel Parkinson Cowley is survived by his wife, Mrs. LaVon Cowley, who for many years worked for the FBI, but now is registrar at the LDS Business College in Salt Lake City. There are also two sons, Samuel Jr., a June graduate of East High in Salt Lake City, and John, a corporal in the Air Force at Wright Field near Dayton, Ohio.

San Francisco Conference Hears Elder Mark Peterson

By Bob Callister

Elder Mark E. Peterson of the Council of the Twelve encouraged members of the San Francisco Stake assembled in sessions of Stake Conference on Sunday, June 10th, to adhere to the principles of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to endeavor to live "Christ-like lives."

"Christ expects us to follow His direction if we are to become like Him. We must accept His plan, apply it, and follow it. The plan is to develop character and traits of character like His. If we have some that are contrary to His way of life, we are to change—we are to repent." He urged the virtue of a broken heart and a contrite spirit, a willingness to obey and to serve the Lord.

The morning session of Stake Confeernce was conducted by J. Bryon Barton, President of the San Francisco Stake. In his address, he asked and answered the question as to whether or not it pays members of the Church to keep the commandments of God.

More Conference news on 3 and 7

Foreign Trade Institute Takes Local Couple To Phoenix

Ever hear of "The American Institute for Foreign Trade" just outside Phoenix?

Not some little fly-by-night promoted school but the real thing a scholastic institution endownded by such American businesses as American Airline, American Express Co., Goodyear Rubber Co., Minneapolis - Moline Company, Standard Oil, Standard - Vacuum Oil Company, United Fruit Company, The National City Bank of New York, The First National Bank of Boston, and having on its board of directors such men as Bruce Barton, Lewis W. Douglas, Lowell Thomas, Wm. L. Clayton, former Under Secretary of State, Thomas A. Morgan of the Sperry Corporation, and a dozen others.

Well, it's there ; 16 miles outside Phoenix on a beautifully built and landscaped campus; been there only since 1946, but has graduated about 1000 students from its two-year courses, most of whom are now in the consulor service or with large American exporting businesses at home or abroad.

And thither has gone one of Berkeley First Ward's fine young couples, Denton and LaFaun May. La Faun is part of the deal too. The wives are important to one in a foreign country trying to make pleasant contacts and good will for American business and way of life.

Friends of the Denton Mays in the future years may look forward someday to receiving picture postals from these foreign traders who then may be residing in such countries as Uruguay, Bolivia, Brazil or Mexico, or whatnot country around the world.

The Dentons have a young baby.

Pres. and Mrs. McKay To Tour Missions Thruout British Isle and the Continent

Eugene Hilton had his wish fulfilled and many members of the Church residing in the British Isles and upon the continent of Europe had the rare privilege of a visit from the President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, President McKay sailed from New York, June 4, for England.

Accompanying the president are his wife, his son, David Lawrence, assistant general superintendent of the Deseret S. S. Union, and David's wife Mildred C. McKay. The tour will last about six weeks.

Pres. McKay visited in Scotland, the birthplace of his ancestors where he dedicated two chapels, one in Gloscow where the Eugene Hiltons are in charge of the missionary work, and one in Edinburgh. Other chapels will be dedicated on the continent.

The extensive tour of the continent by the president is under the direction of Elder Stayner Richards, Assistant to the Council of the Twelve and president of the British Mission who will accompany the party. Plans include special missionary meetings with the Elders and members of the Church in Scotland and elsewhere in the British Isles, in Amsterdam Copenhagen, Helsinke, Hamburg, Berlin, Frankfurt, Basel, and Paris. He was the third president of the Church to visit in Europe. President Joseph F. Smith, and Heber J. Grant also toured the Church centers in Europe.

This visit will be the fourth one for President McKay. He served in Scotland as a missionary at the turn of the century, he visited branches in 1921, and then 1922-24 he with Mrs. McKay presided over both the British and the European Missions, traveling extensively.

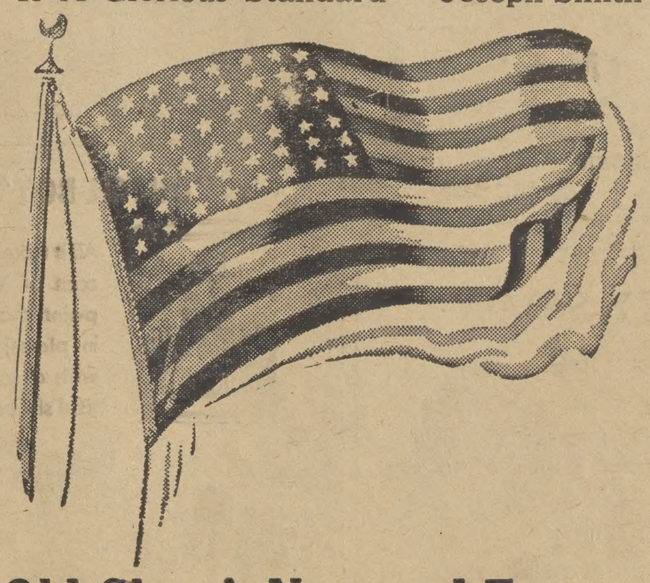
Sons Of Utah Pioneers Plan Hall Of Fame In Salt Lake

Monday June 2 in Salt Lake City, Nicholas G. Morgan, new president of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers announced at a luncheon in the Hotel Utah that the national organization of the SUP plans to erect a Hall of Fame on the Pioneer Village site at the old state prison grounds at Sugar House.

Part of the plan is to bring distinguished persons to Salt Lake City annually to address the SUP Luncheon Club and also to sit for a sculpture portrait to be done by Dr. Avard Fairbanks, noted Utah sculptor and professor at the University of Utah.

Pursuant to and as part of this plan, in June a luncheon of the Salt Lake Camp of the SUP had as their guest speaker, Dr. Rufus B. Kleinsmid, chancellor and former president of the University of Southern California. While in Salt Lake Doctor Kleinsmid will sit for his sculpture portrait before Doctor Fairbanks.

"The Constitution Of The United States Is A Glorious Standard"—Joseph Smith



'Old Glory', Now and Forever

Local Dance Festival Top Artistic Success

Four stakes of the Bay Area and Fresno Stake combined their talents and efforts to present a very beautiful dance festival the afternoon of June 7th at the Oaklang High School Auditorium. Those who attended, and especially those who took part in the audience participation numbers, had a very enjoyable time. Each stake, Oakland, San Francisco, Palo Alto, Berkeley and Fresno, presented one or more exhibition numbers in costume depicting a country and period of time.

The hit of the festival was the all-girl "Waltz Ballet" directed by Ann and Sam Ferguson of Fresno Stake. The dancers' filmy white dresses with billowing ruffled skirts enhanced the graceful beauty of the dance and provided a very thrilling scene.

The "Blades and Belles" of San Francisco Stake, directed by Carl Anderson, should also be mentioned for the variety and excellence of their dancing and their appropriate costuming. Others who aided immeasurably in the success of the festival were Triest Hall of Oakland Stake and Lynn and Beth Sorenson of Palo Alto Stake.

Following the festival a picnic at Sequoia Lodge was sponsored by Claremont Ward, Berkeley Stake, for the visitors from Fresno. Oakland and Berkeley Stakes combined to provide accomodations on Saturday night for the Fresno group.

All who witnessed the Festival and those who participated in it, felt that this program is a challenge for all future planning. The dance leaders of the Bay Area are looking forward confidently to the presentation of a similar event next year.

OAKLAND STAKE

Oakland Stake News

By Mildred Fontano

All who attended April General Conference in Salt Lake City and also went to the temple were happy to meet our old friend and a former Oaklanite Sister Elizabeth Petersen doing work in the temple. She was doing regular ordinance work for years ,and also played the organ for temple assemblies. Now the sad news comes that she passed away very suddenly in June in Salt Lake City. Her son is head of a junior college in Southern California, and she has a daughter living in Idaho.

Lola Ellsworth Empey died at the home of her mother Aunt Dena Ellsworth on June 14. Lola was devoting her time to taking care of her mother, Dena Ellsworth who is past eighty years old. Two sisters who live in Boise, Idaho were here for the funeral. Sister Ellsworth and her family have long been known in the Dimond Ward and we want her to know we love her and sympathize with her in this loss of her dear daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Marsh have been transferred to San Diego where he is doing government work.

Sister Inazetta Fell and her

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Hayward Ward News

The Edwin Maughns and the Frank Nunes families vacationed together at the Big Sur for a week prior to Edwin's summer school sessions at San Jose State.

Mildred and Kirk Brinkerhoff with their three boys have moved to Stockton.

Bro. and Sister Leslie Thompson of Provo were in Niles for a visit with their daughter Rose Winkel and her family. They went to the Pacific Northwest before returning to Provo. Linda Winkel went with them to spend her summer vacation.

The Fred Eatons have their daughter Dolores and her three children staying with them this summer in Decota. Her home is in Alaska where her husband, Sterling Whatley is located.

Murna Green entertained a dear friend Miss Ludene Egbert for several weeks. She has been teaching school at the Garfield in Salt Lake City. Her home is in Preston, Idaho.

Graduated from Primary and received into Mutual were, Virginia Hawkins, Geraldine Hall and Careen Taylor. Congratulations!

Hayward Ward was host to the other wards for the yearly Swarm Day for the Bee Hive workers and teachers. Oakland ward won the prize on the most decorative table, Castro Valley and Hayward both received honorable mention. Kay Smith the daughter of Marion and Iris Smith received awards as a Golden Bee.

Blaine Wilson had the misfortune to lose the two middle fingers at the first joint. He nearly lost the small finger.

Colonel Voss was sustained group advisor to the adult Aaronic Priesthood. Primary will be held Tuesday at 10 a.m. during the summer months.

We have gone over the half way mark on our "Freedom from Debt" drive, but the time is also far

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Elmhurst Ward

By JOANNE PARTINGTON.

An increase in attendance in our Sunday School is noticed. Recently sustained Sunday School Superintendent is Bob Woofenden. We see and realize all the work your are doing, Bob, Thanks.

Oakland Stake will be the guests of Elmhurst on the 15th of July at a swimming party at Castlemont pool, followed by chili at our amusement hall for all.

Mable Jensen, Mia Maid teacher and Peggy Jensen and Naomi Sparks, beekeepers, have been released. Radia Camp and Ruby McBride, beekeepers, Lucille Brown, Mia Maid, and Naomi Sparks, chorister, are among the new officers.

BISHOPRIC MESSAGE

Many years ago our Primary Association had a slogan that read, "My Father's House is a house of order. Why am I here?" When we think of our Father's House we think of our chapel.

We often forget the significance of that sacred place. One hears laughter and loud talking in the chapel before and after meetings. It is even discernable on occasions during the meetings.

Let us each strive to remember as we enter the chapel the sacred purpose of the structure. Then stall we know the answer to the question, "Why am I here?"

San Leandro Ward

By Verna Jackson

Vacation time has recently taken its toll of San Leandro Ward members, but although the attendance at our Sunday services has been lessened, the meetings have been especially fine and inspirational. Throughout the summer they will continue to be planned with care and consideration and it is hoped that ward members will avail themselves of the privilege of participation in the Sacrament services.

To begin the month's activities, our Boy Scout Troop, No. 15, held a most successful and delicious dinner in the church recreation hall. Following the dinner, delightful entertainment was very much enjoyed.

The Relief Society too held a very interesting closing social in the form of a garden party in the beautiful outdoor living room of Sis. Deon Lee. Buffet luncheon was served, made up of favorite dishes of the various Relief Society members. It was an outstanding ending to an outstanding year for the San Leandro Relief Society.

May we remind all parents of the Primary program planned especially for your children, each Thursday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock. See that your child gets the weekday religious help and play activity provided by the Primary organization.

The Mutual too has set-up a splendid summer program for your enjoyment. If the weiner roast party held June 16th, when some 100 young people enjoyed their fill of hot dogs, is a sample of summer activity, we can be assured of the best.

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Maxwell Park News

By Norma Williams

The bishopric thanks all for their fine support at our recent smorgasbord dinner. About 250 came; the building fund grew. Let the idea of building a chapel stay in mind this summer; can't vacation from building a chapel! We must meet our obligation.

Fifteen Mia Maids and Junior Gleaners had a cookout breakfast June 14, under the direction of Margaret Wright and Lucile Williams.

The MIA invites all members and friends to come to Mutual and join in the summer activities, such as family picnics and swims. Fine new teachers! MIA is better than ever.

Vivian Williams will be released the end of July from her mission.

Bob Andersen is the new S. S. Superintendent, and Elmer Edwards the first assistant. Anthon Olson, the former superintendent, has been made ward clerk.

The following girls were recently presented with awards in commendation of outstanding achievement: Joy awards, Joan Williams, Joan Moody, Bonnie Bramwell, Eleanor Matheson, Cecil Henderson and Arlene Woods; Iris Edwards, Vicki Martin, Joanne Bybee and Diana Whiffen became Honor Bees: Jean Bramwell received the Silver Gleaner award.

Welcome into the ward: the Earl Larsens, living with Bea Larsen; the Dennis Laupers, living in the home formerly occupied by Miriam Osmond. The Osmonds have moved to Berkeley; Ralph is working in Los Angeles for the summer.

If you have some free time, why not visit members who are not able to meet with us? Lillian Giddings home from fractured ankle; has been in the Oak Knoll hospital; Carolyn Williams home and getting along nicely; Frankie Mae Ernest at home recuperating from a major operation.

Our best wishes go to Larry Woods in his work at Newfoundland.

Oakland Ward News

By Eva Schleich

The members of Oakland Ward have been kept busy during the Month of June. June 3rd most of the Mutual made the trip to Hayward Ward for the Stake Music and Dance Festival. Tango was the title of the dance performed in Spanish Costume by the following members: Donna and Morris Smith, June Nielson and Jerry Zenger, Elaine Renshaw and Marvin Alexander, Betty Ann and Leonard Seader, Lois Nielson and Norman Stockton, Naomi and Dean Ogden. These same members participated in the 4-stake District Dance Festival held Saturday June 7 at Oakland High School.

Oakland Ward celebrated its annual "Homecoming Days" June 7th and 8th. Saturday Evening, June 7th, came the monthly "Friendly Dinner," enjoyed by 175 people. After the dinner a program was given in honor of Art Bliss, former member of the Bishopric: two songs with lyrics especially written for the occasion by Violet Higham; Esterella, Olszowka two solos; and talks by Bishop Warnick, John Hughes, and Pearl and Art Bliss. The Ward presented Art with a luxurious leather briefcase ,and gave Pearl a lovely lei of baby orchids. Replacing Art Bliss, who has moved outside the boundaries of Oakland Ward, is Frank Higham.

Sacrament Meeting for Sunday, June 8th, was announced at a Special Program by Bishop Warnick, who surprised everyone by calling members from the audience to the stand for extemporaneous talks: Rayola Palmer, Paul Hallman, Former Bishop Rulon Doxey, Bernie Adams, June Nielson, Lois Butler, John Hughes and Frank Higham.

Louanne Wright and Curtis Finch became man and wife on June 11th in a ceremony performed in the Salt Lake Temple.

Oakland Ward now has a bright

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Centerville Ward

By Marie Lindsay

The Sunday School of Centerville Branch had a very successful picnic at the Hayward Park, with about 113 members of the Branch present. A very nice lunch was provided by the Relief Society.

The afternoon was spent playing games and swimming in the Plunge.

PRIMARY NEWS

Almost three months have gone by since our Primary had its first meeting. Our attendance is very good. We are busy getting ready for our first Primary Conference which will be held July 6th. Altho many will be away on vacation we are hoping it will be a big success.

RELIEF SOCIETY NEWS

How generous Leona Webb is with her time and talents! She gave our ladies a demonstration in the use of the deep freeze, Wed., June 18th, at 10 a.m. It was followed with a pot luck lunch, and the monthly sewing day.

The officers and Teachers, and the Visiting Teachers were entertained at a luncheon, at the Clyde Lindsay home, Monday afternoon June 16th. After a short talk on the summer project, and the fall calender; the afternoon was spent in games and socialibility.

Many interesting attractions are planned for Sewing Days July 16, August 18th and September 10th. Visitors from other wards will be most welcome at these pot-luck affairs.

Alameda Ward News

Bishops Message: Loyality

Loyality to the Church is the most cherished asset a person can have. Loyality radiates integrity and dependability. To the deacons, teachers and priests it means filling assignments given to them by the bishopric and class leaders. To the ward teachers and Relief Society teachers it means calling and encouraging the saints to live the Gospel in its fullness. Yea! Loyality, integrity, and dependability is the pathway that will lead us back to the very presence of God our Heavenly Father.

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The monthly movies sponsored by the Elder's quorum are becoming a regular night out for our members who thus enjoy an evening's entertainment and at the same time help support missionaries in the field. Let's remember these shows this summer.

June the 13th the ward teachers held a very successful potluck dinner and party.

The Boy Scouts held a dinner and demonstrations for their parents recently. Both mothers and fathers greatly enjoyed their son's talent and training, and their dish washing.

The Relief Society's closing party June 11 was a lovely luncheon and afternoon of games. The summer program was outlined. Many interesting hobbies and pasttimes will be taught through the summer; every one is invited to join in the fun. Remember the second Wednesday of each month.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Sister Amelia Everett.

The new baby in the home of your reporter has kept her home this month. Please forgive this short report.

Alameda Ward's anniversary picnic, held in Tilden Park June 21, was great fun.

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Oakland Stake Softball Schedule

JULY 14

6:45 p.m. Maxwell vs Hayward
8:00 p.m. San Leandro vs Oak.
9:15 p.m. Castro Valley vs Dimond.
Elmhurst vs Bye
Alameda vs Bye

JULY 21

6:45 p.m. Oakland vs Maxwell Park
8:00 p.m. Alameda vs Elmhurst
9:15 p.m. Hayward vs Dimond
San Leandro vs Bye
Castro Valley vs Bye

JULY 28

6:45 p.m. Castro Valley vs Hayward
8:00 p.m. San Leandro vs Dimond
9:15 p.m. Alameda vs Oakland
Maxwell Park vs Bye
Elmhurst vs Bye

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Dimond Ward

Dimond ward news will be short and sweet this time because the news we have this month of weddings is being printed on page five under the heading, "Wedding Bells." Much Dimond ward news this time also is being printed on page eight under the heading "Goings and Comings." Again some Dimond ward news is to be found on page five under the heading "Graduations."

Julia Fitzpatrick will be visiting her parents in Belgium for the next six months. Jack will be at home taking care of the family.

Dimond ward is very sorry indeed to see Dennis and Helen Lauper and their family move from the ward. Dennis was our former bishop and has been very active in so many organizations from the beginning. Our loss will be the gain of Maxwell Ward where the Laupers have moved into their own home.

The new MIA superintendent Lee Wilcox, has chosen for his counselors Don Weiland, recently home from Korea, and William Barber. Every success!

The Messenger is printing in the July issue a cut of the oil painting of the Christ which hangs in the Dimond chapel. It is the work of our beloved local artist, Archie Inger who now lives in Hayward. The painting was photographer by the Berkeley ward commercial photographer, Edward A Pyle, June 23 by special arrangements made by the editor of the Messenger, I. B. Ball. This reproduction will appear at the head of the editorial page where each month is seen pictures in a series by local LDS artists.

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SANTA ROSA STAKE

Santa Rosa Stake News

Representatives from the Primary General Board will be in attendance at the Santa Rosa Stake Primary Convention scheduled for July 11 and 12 at the Santa Rosa Chapel. On July 11th at 8 p. m., there is to be a Special Meeting for the Parents of all Primary children in the Stake, bishops of wards, high council advisors and Primary Board members.

On July 12th the following schedule will follow: 9 a.m. special meeting for Stake Board members; 10:45 a.m. all ward Primary presidencies; At noon lunch will be served. From 2:00 to 4:30 p.m. all ward and stake primary officers and teachers will meet, later dividing into classes.

All concerned are urged to mark the dates and arrange to be in attendance.

The first Beehive Swarm Day in Santa Rosa Stake was held recently in Santa Rosa under the direction of Jesse Stubbs and Phyllis Southwick. Much talent was displayed in the form of skits, dancing and singing. About 45 girls were present.

Another "first" in the Santa Rosa Stake came in the form of the Stake Dance Festival. Ably guided by Mildred Mathews and Max Stephenson, Stake Dance Directors, six wards presented exhibition dancing. Following dancing all participated in rounds and mixers.

Petaluma Branch

BISHOPS MESSAGE

A well-known producer had the habit of belittling the ideas of his employees. One day he found this sign on the fire-alarm box in the studio lot: "In case of fire call the producer; he'll throw a wet blanket on it." It's easier for some folks to criticize than to praise.

It is our duty to build each other up; to help and to teach each other. One of the quickest ways to do the opposite to this is to display a lack of respect for others and for their opinions.

Leaders and teachers must be especially careful in this respect, and accept the answers and opinions expressed for all the truth that is in them. Elaborate and bring out the remainder of the truth, but accept with thanks that which is presented. Encourage everyone. Discourage no one.

The Petaluma Relief Society under the direction of Dorothy Anderson sponsored a successful dinner and play June 11, the funds going for the Welfare assessment. We were happy to have the stake presidency with us for this affair, and for other ward's support. Thanks also for the time, efforts and food donated by so many.

Sister Marie Swanson and daughter, Virginia, and Stephen Jensen, son of Mr .and Mrs. Ed Jensen, were baptized May 31 in Santa Rosa. Welcome into the Church and into our Branch. Another welcome new member is Robert Riker who was baptized by Dr. Brockbank in Gridley March 9.

Johnny and Mary Lehman and daughter, Linda, have returned to Petaluma to live after residing in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for the last two years. Welcome back.

Napa Ward

After a good deal of study and correspondence the Stake Presidency High Council and Stake MIA Board have asked that "Jitterbugging" should not be performed at a formal dance, but that it will be allowed in the informal activities of the Stake as long as it is performed within the bounds of propriety and without boisterousness.

BEE HIVE SWARM DAY

Annette Taysom and Arlene Stubbs were the only Beehive girls in the Stake to receive their Honor Bee's at the Stake Swarm Day held recently in Santa Rosa. These two girls had successfully completed all requirements and received their awards at that time. Jessie Stubbs was in charge.

Representing the Napa Ward was a gypsy dance by Annette Taysom and a skit portrayed by Arlene Stubbs, Phyllis Hancock, Audrey Clowdis, Karen Grasteit and Gwen Gundestrup.

DICK TODD, now in a Church basketball team in Tokyo, was on his way to a game when they met with a car accident. His back is now in a brace and he is recovering. Letters would be welcomed.

RUSSEL SOPER has been sent to Mather Field to receive further training.

DAN FRANCOM has completed his training at Lowery Field in Denver and is now at Randolph Field in Texas for further training in radar work.

GLENN OLIVE in Seattle was met by Janet Rice and her mother. After a day or two in Salt Lake they came on to Napa.

FAYE FOWLES recently left San Francisco for Japan, as an electronics technician.

..... MEMBERS IN NEWS .....

Sister Lucy Wilcox took 1st place with her Queen Bess Rose in the St. Helena flower show.

Merle Mendenca won third place honors with his horse at a recent horse show in Dixon.

The Ichtertzs left the 20th of June to spend two weeks in Mississippi to visit their son Denny.

The Larry Carters left the 23rd by plane to attend summer school at the University of Vermont.

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Santa Rosa Ward

By IMOGENE ALLEN.

Bishop's Message

Each of us in our every day association is a missionary. Live your religion in such a way that there will be interest aroused from those around you. Encourage your brethren to attend their meetings for here there is strength and safety.

I wonder if our Heavenly Father is pleased when wo do things contrary to his teachings. Uphold the Sabbath Day, attend your meetings and you will be blessed. —Bishop Cloyd R. Moss

The Primary Association under the direction of Sisters Tuft, Conway and Candland have been busy: May 17 the Zion group of boys and girls had a swimming party at Doyle Park with refreshments by Sisters Hall and Lund.

On the 24th of May all the officers and teachers with a few Stake Board members and the Bishopric enjoyed a night of fun and good food at the new Welfare farm.

The M Men and Gleaner Commandry found its setting at the home of Bishop and Mrs. Moss. The spacious lawn proved a fitting setting for out-door weaner roasting and games, and story telling by Bishop Moss. Mrs. Moss, gleaner leader, directed.

A Pot Luck supper brought a large crowd out to the closing Relief Society social. Husbands were invited and proved an added asset to the entertaining program which blended in with the dinner.

Napa Ward News

By James C. Young

Vacations—Among the lonesome bachelors is Bishop's counselor Rex Candland. Naomi Candland and the children are in Utah at Salt Lake City, and Sanpete and Carbon county.

President Bryant Knowlton with his wife and family are spending the latter part of June in Utah visiting.

Fathers and sons outing —The annual Santa Rosa Stake fathers and sons outing at Blue Lake drew the support of many Napa Ward men and boys Friday and Saturday, June 20 and 21.

Scouts — A week at Yosemite was enjoyed June 5-7 by 15 members of the Napa Ward scout troop. Larry Backstrom received his Star Scout Award from the hands of Jack Johnson, Troop Finance Chairman, at a recent Court of Honor for the Napa troop. Four second class and five tenderfoot badges were also given out. A Pot Luck supper honoring the scouts' parents.

Priesthood Advancement—William Chambers, Explorer Scout leader and YMMIA executive, was ordained to the Melchizedek Priesthood and became an elder at Priesthood meeting, Sunday, June 15.

Chapel Building Enthusiasm Mounts—Members of the Napa Ward are wholeheartedly backing the Bishopric in their drive to raise funds which will make possible the breaking of ground for the long dreamed of ward chapel to be built on a beautiful site in east Napa's Alta Heights.

Some fund raising activity for each week end from now until October has been planned by the ward leaders. The dinners and entertainments staged up to the present time have each boosted the climbing "Fund Thermometer" heartily. Each ward auxiliary organization will sponsor the events in rotation.

Lakeport Ward News

By Maud Pearson

Branch Presidents message for the Month:

"It is urged that members of the Priesthood make every effort to attend their stake and ward meetings. Much work and thought go into these meetings to make them of interest and educational. We can be saved no faster than we gain knowledge and these are the places to further that knowledge."

A party that was a complete surprise was given by the branch to President and sister Pearson at a house warming early in May. Several lovely gifts were received and refreshments were served by the two who planned the affair Sister McCay and Sister Bullard.

Another very successful food sale was held by the Relief Society and the Chairman, Sister McKay turned in a good sum to help the work along here.

A farewell picnic was held on the Lakeshore for Iris June Pantet who has been a standby in the Sunday School for so long. Iris graduated from high school and has gone to be with her mother before making her permanent home with her grandmother in Oklahoma. Good luck Iris.

The latest news I know of is the new project that the Elders have. A cow, and soon a calf we hope. Let's see these farmers do their stuff now—and they will too.

It was decided that the Primary Association would be in charge of the lunch for Ward Conference in August. Also they have a traveling basket going around. These girls are really on the job to make this organization a success. They plan to hold forth all summer and we are so proud of them.

Gladys Metcalf Shows MIA Slides of Trip

Gladys Metcalf of San Francisco Ward presented her colored slides of her trip before the Balboa Ward MIA in the chapel on Wednesday, May 28, 1952. She recently returned from an extended tour of all the countries in South America where she traveled by every means known from burro to boat to plane. Her outstanding collection of scenes in and around San Francisco is very valuable and worth while also.

A contributing factor to the enjoyment of her program is the very interesting manner of narration as she gives first-hand information of the facts as only one with her keen intellect would observe and seek out. Of special interest were the ruins in the Indian countries of Peru, Ecuador, and Bolivia in light of her thorough background of the Book of Mormon. She has shown her work in New York City, Washington, D. C., Salt Lake City, and several points on the Peninsula. On July 8, Gladys will leave for an indefinite stay in the Northwest where she will visit with her aunt, Mrs. Madge Price, in Oregon.

San Francisco Stake Conference

William M. Walsh, the visiting representative of the Church Welfare Program appealed to all to produce goods themselves wherever possible, to store a year's supply of food in their homes, and to get out of debt.

President Ira I. Somers, Counstressed the importance of family selor in the Stake Presidency, stressed the importance of family prayer in the home.

Nell Marie Benson, recent Stake Primary President, discussed the advantages of conducting regular "family hours." in order to achieve "unity, solidairty and

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Sebastopol Branch

ROSALIE FISH.

"And whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, which is right, believing that ye shall receive, behold it shall be given unto you."

Thus spoke our Saviour; what a comforting thought to know that He is always near when we need him.

Our retired President Ralph C. Hardisty was honored at a branch party recently, where he was presented with a gift in token of the appreciation of the members for his wonderful guidance and his understanding heart. Sister Jeannette Hardisty has been our capable Relief Society president and son Dick and daughter Joan have been active members of the Mutual Improvement Association. It is with loving and sorrowful hearts that we see this charming and gracious family move to Truckee, their future home. Brother Joseph Badge has been set apart as our new president. We are confident that the branch will continue to prosper under his guidance.

Brother and Sister George Silva were also honorees at a recent goodbye party with their three daughters Marilyn, Betty, and Norma. Brother Silva has been our Sunday School Superintendent and also a counselor to Brother Badger. Sister Silva has been our energetic Primary President and Secretary of Relief Society. The Silvas are on vacation in Utah but their future home has not been chosen. We bid them a fond farewell.

The YMIA recently spent an enjoyable evening seeing "Quo Vadis." Future plans include a skating party.

Vallejo 1st Ward

By LaRue Powell

BISHOPRIC'S MESSAGE

Dear Ward Members:

Appreciation to those who worked so willingly, night and day, to complete the harvesting of the hay. May we receive the same cooperation when we commence our next welfare project, THE PRUNES .

We extend our best wishes and blessings to each ward member.

Sincerely,
Bishop Vernon C. Newman
Evan J. Powell
Glen Zundell

At Primary graduation exercises May 26, 1952, President Lola Tomilson presented the graduation scrolls to Nancy Henderson, Barbara Logan, Elva Clark and Della Crist.

Parents are invited to send their children to Primary every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.

Congratulations to James Light who was recently advanced to a Priest.

James (Jimmy) Williams, was ordained a member of the church by his father Tom, at Fast Day services, 1 June.

Mr. and Mrs. Kay Eyler had their baby daughter blessed at recent services.

The Mutual members enjoyed a swimming party, June 17 at Oak Park Lake in Napa. Activities are planned by the officers and teachers for every Tuesday night during the summer. Everyone is invited to attend.

An informal dance is planned for June 27.

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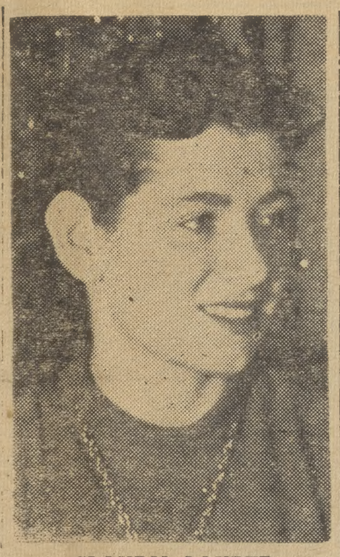

CLAUDIA LAUPER

Claudia Lauper, of Sunset Ward, was recently notified that she had been awarded the Pendleton Scholarship by Wellesley College, Wellesley, Massachusetts. This carries with it the sum of $1000 toward her expenses the first year. Claudia has been very active in both church and school, being chorister in the MIA and Primary at church, and at the school director of the student variety show and serving as student body song leader. Claudia, daughter of President and Mrs. Serge J. Lauper, was also offered a scholarship to the University of California.

San Francisco Ward News

By Irene Laycock
644 Lyon Street 17

Summer time has brought many changes and much news to San Francisco Ward. Bishop Price has recently returned from the Northwest where he attended a regional conference with fellow bankers.

Leon Swenson, former Ward Clerk, is taking over temporarily while Jim Hall and family are in Idaho and Utah. Florence Raynor had a wonderful visit with her family for the first time in five years. Gale Hammond and family, vacationing in Nevada and Utah, will be representing the MIA at June Conference; also Kenneth Glew and family.

It is good to see Keith Price, Brent Jones, Karma Wright, Richard Cook and Beverly Nalder home again from the "Y." Fred Clawson is also visiting here enroute to Hawaii, after attending the U. of U. We hear that Nadine Nalder is in Los Angeles for the summer and that Martin is going to summer school at U. of U.

Marion Laycock will attend summer school at the New Hampshire U. Karma Wright will represent her sorority in a national convention in Atlantic City.

Several parties were recently held to say goodbye to Grant Walker and family, who are moving to Sacramento. Beth Van Zeeben was visited by her mother. David Wells and family have moved to Redwood City, into a new home. Stan Sorenson was called back into the U. S. Marines at Camp Pendleton.

New arrivals: Robin, daughter of Kent and Mildred Peterson; Merrill, son of Neal and Darlien Sorenson; Deborah, daughter of Bob and Gloria Fredell; John, son of Heber and Margaret Fackrell; to Dick and Delores Lambert, now in Utah, a daughter; the grandparents, Roy and Margaret Lambert, journeyed to welcome the newcomer.

Margaret Lambert, YWMIA President was honored at a potluck dinner May 25th and presented with a gift by co-Mutual workers in thanks for her past services. The Lamberts are now attending Sunset Ward.

Irene Laycock has been sustained the new YWMIA President with Marilyn Larkin and Elizabeth Smith as counselors, along with a splendid staff of teachers and directors. Summer Mutual is really in swing; come all and join in the good times. The Mutual desires to welcome the boys and girls who recently graduated from Primary.

Coleen Chugg and Norma Hall co-hostessed a stork shower for Arlene (Yates) Fairchild at Norma's home. Stanton Benson was sustained as 2nd counselor to Bishop Price. He replaces Albert Peterson, who lately moved to San Jose.

Summer Primary is in full operation, and mothers are urged to bring their children to participate every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.

Our sympathy is extended to Sr. Nellie McBride, whose daughter's husband recently passed away.

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Mission Ward News

By Ethel Titus and Ida Bigelow

Mission Ward and Balboa are combining for summer Primary again in Mission Ward 3716—26th St. each Wednesday morning at 10. The program includes, hikes, handiwork and socials as well as the lesson material.

Betty Lou Bench a dramatics major at BYU will succeed Ted Johnson as Drama director. Ted, presented a three-act comedy, "Youth saves the Day" Tuesday June 24.

Paul R. Newberry and Harold J. Burkholder, recent converts, were ordained Priests June 1st.

Three babies were blessed this month! Iris Joan Lowe, daughter of the Moroni Wm. Lowes; Katherine Kenlay Madson, daughter of the Robert A. Madsons and granddaughter of our beloved deceased Wm. Kenley; and Cheryl Constance Urmy, daughter of Wm. H. Urmy and granddaughter of Edna A. Urmy, well-known in San Francicso.

A closing party was given by our Genealogical group Wednesday evening, June 11th. Testimonies, refreshments and songs by Marilyn Milligan accompanied by Renee Hunter at the piano, filled the time.

Maurice Parker is home to spend the summer. He has been attending BYU.

The Mission Ward Choir under the direction of Ida O'Brien presented a romantic musical comedy, "The Gypsy Rover," in the auditorium of our chapel for two evenings, June 5th and 6th, to large enthusiastic audiences without charge. Charles Hilder and Shilla Peterson carried the romantic leads, Leslie Petrie handled the musical score.

"BISHOPS MESSAGE"

We are well on the way to accomplishing the increased activity in our overall ward activities for the first six months of 1952.

In every field of operation of our ward, we have shown from slight to substantial increases over 1952. Thru the Messenger we give praise and thanks to the ward for the support thus far in 1952. You will grow and prosper in the cause of the Church if you avail yourselves of all its opportunities.

Sunset Ward News

By Jeanne Barton

BISHOP'S MESSAGE

We believe the constitution to be divinely inspired. The preamble reads:

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The Sunset ward welfare project, a Fashion Show, sponsored by the Relief Society, was a financial success. Eespecially cute were wee Mellisa Aaron, JoAnnie Johnson, Elly and Lindy Ray who modeled the latest "tot's" fashions.

Etta and Gideon Marquardt, Willard Barton and Mary Shaw attended June conference in Salt Lake City.

Everett Earl Bartlett and Helen Margaret Downing were confirmed members of the Church.

Deborah Marie Zaft, daughter of LeVaugh and Paul G. Zaft, was blessed at Fast and Testimony Meeting.

We're awfully proud of Dawn Hickenlooper, Claudia Lauper and Jimmy Weatherspoon. Dawn gave a talk at graduation exercises because of her participation in so many school activities while attending Lincoln High School. Claudia has received a scholorship to Wellesley College in Massachusetts for her outstanding scholastic record at Lincoln High School. Jimmy was chosen valedictorian of his graduating class at Berkeley High School out of 480 students.

Now that school is out Primary will be held every Monday morning at 10:00

Mutual has a full summer program planned so let's all get out to the ward on Tuesday night at 7:30 and support our fine officers and teachers.

The ward is proud to announce LaVeryle Neilson as our new ward music director.

Marian Kanzler Takis and George Takis were blessed with a baby boy, George Frederick, June 12.

Martha and Boyd Grossnickle, formerly of Sunset Ward, of Provo, Utah now have a baby boy, Wesley Arnold, born May 29. On hearing the good news Sylvia Cameron, Gail Terry and Gerrie Ivie gave a baby shower and mailed all the beautifully wrapped gifts to Martha to open as a surprise.

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SAN FRANCISCO STAKE

San Francisco Stake News
Vivian Neff Named Primary Head

By Jean Lauper

It was with regret the Stake learned of the release of Nell Marie Benson, who has headed the Stake Primary so successfully, Responsibilities at home now prevent her from carrying on this assignment. Vivian Neff, formerly first counselor, was sustained as president at the recent conference. Ruby MacDonald is her first counselor.

Plans for the 24th of July party are underway. Primary children of the entire stake will gather at the Stake House in costume and hold a parade to be followed by a children's dance. Special pioneer music has been arranged.

Forrest Greene, superintendent of the Stake Sunday School, who is in the Naval Reserve ,is spending two weeks on training duty.

Sister Gladys Winters, of the Stake Relief Society, reports the stake party, held May 22, was a tremendous success. Given to celebrate the completion of the stake welfare assignment. An interesting feature was the pioneer scene, arranged on a large table, by Jacketta Qealy, of the stake board. Sister Laura Pugmire of the Stake Board will be moving down the Peninsula, shortly. She was noted for her beautifully prepared lessons, and her music as and organist of the board.

Sister Winter left June 17 for Los Angeles to attend the funeral of her brother, Dr. Lyman Harold Robinson. Dr. Robinson, a noted gynocologist, passed away June 15.

Girl Scouting

Twelve year old Judy Pearson of Balboa Ward was one of six girls who, on June 2, received the highest award in Girl Scouting, the curved bar. Judy come of a scouting family, her father Clyde being assistant executive for the San Francisco Council of Boy Scouts, and her mother Virginia a Girl Scout troop leader. Sixteen badges are required for the curved bar, and Judy has filled eighteen.

Folk dancing groups have names; the San Francisco Stake folk dancers are called the Blades and Bells. May 23, they put on the major part of the Stake dance festival, under the leadership of Carl and Louise Anderson.. The stage and entire hall were beautifully decorated with Mexican dancing figures, the work of Carl Anderson; the opening numbers of the festival were Mexican in theme. The Blades and Belles were assisted by Bee Hive Girls and Scouts, MIA Maids and Explorer and M Men and Gleaners. The entire affair was beautifully costumed. The Blades and Belles, wore in turn, Mexican, Dutch and, early American folk costumes, and dashing skating outfits in which they did the finale, the Skaters' Waltz. A huge crowd enjoyed the gay and colorful festival.

One of the nicest affairs in the stake recently was the romantic musical comedy "The Gypsy Rover." Presented by the Mission Ward Choir, under the direction of Ida O'Brien, and in their own recreation hall, the operetta starring Charles Hilder and Sheila Peterson. The operetta drew fine crowds both night of its presentation.

Balboa Ward News

Bishop Cummings remarked recently that anything he had the Lord could have. Wilford B. Murray added the thought, "What a fair partner is God since He gives us everything and asks only one-tenth back." The Bishop told us the Church Authorities had approved the price and location of the property at the Shields and Beverly on which our chapel will eventually be erected. The escrow papers for it have been sent to Salt Lake.

Fred W. Grow becomes Second Counselor in the Bishopric in place of James W. Challis; Louis D. Allen, a Stake High Councilman; and Ralph Lindsay, one of the Ward Teacher Supervisors.

President Vera Murray reports Relief Society once a month during the summer—on the first Wednesdays.

Primary President Koye Roberts states two new teachers have been added to their staff, Rayone Hilton and Virginia Pearson. Summer Quarter Primary begins Wednesday, June 18th, ten to twelve noon, combined with Mission Ward. Hand crafts, lessons, picnics, and parties will be the attractions . . . The Balboa Primary picnic was held at San Bruno Park, June 14th, with 71 in attendance.

Sunday School Library Department: The shelves to hold the pictures and materials were built by hard-working Hugo Jenkins, First Assistant. Librarian Lda M. Miller, with help from Assistant Joanne Brecken, has mounted on cardboard 483 pictures. Marvin E. Bush donated a great stack of cardboard.

Sunday School Assistant Secretary Dolores Kohler and family move to the Aleutians in the near future. Secretary Carmen Smith is being released, as is also our fine organist, Laura Pugmire. Dorothy Simister has been made Assistant Sunday School Organist.

A conscientious Ward Teacher is Brother Lehner. With a Bible that is well worn and thummed through, he gives a spiritual thought each month to the people of this district.

Mutual: Wilbur Moulton succeeds David Simister as Superintendent. Frank W. Heiss succeeds Byron Hovick (who moved some time ago from the ward), as Activity Assistant Superintendent. Frank goes into the Army June 27. Joseph Parmley becomes Age Group Assistant Superintendent to succeed H. Grant Bennion, Charles Naumann continues as Secretary.

Sister Claire Dickson continues as President of the YWMIA.

Val Wegner becomes Junior Gleaner Teacher, in place of Marilyn Allen.

A hike to Big Basin will be made June 20 and 21 for Mutual age groups 14 to 25.

At Stake Swarm night, May 24, two lasses, Nancy Smith and Sherrilyn Roberts were given the "Honor Bee," the highest Beehive award. They were also honored in Mutual, June 11. Also on June 11, Carol Nielson, Carol Stewart, Carolyn Wilson, and Pat Slattery received their "MIA Maid Joy" awards. A party was held for them and the "Explorers" afterwards.

Balboa and Sunset Firesides met together the eve of June 8. BYU's Dr. Hugh Nibly was the speaker. Leo Jensen has been the Special Interest speaker the last two Wednesday nights at Mutual, his theme—Communism.

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WHAT IS AN EDUCATION?

The Latter-day Saints are an educated people. Altho many of our forefathers, those who first accepted the restored Gospel, were largely unschooled, yet were they like Abraham in that they thirsted for learning and intelligence. As a result their children and their children's children today bear high the banner of educational and scholastic achievements. Utah, for instance ,stands abreast of the best and sometime a step ahead of the procession in comparative educational standards among the states of the Union.

This year Latter-day Saint communities are glorying again in the largest, and we trust, the finest high school and college graduating classes in proportion to population, in all the nation, and all the world, we suppose. And in California our LDS youths are winning many educational honors.

Since everything that occurs has a cause, we may properly ask why are these things true as stated above The answer, no doubt, will be found in the genius of the Restored Gospel. Is it not instinct with the spirit of advancement? What do we hear from the earliest revelations of the Lord to Joseph Smith, the Prophet of the latter days. "Seek knowledge;" "a man cannot be saved in ignorance," "the glory of God is intelligence;" "a man is saved no faster than he gains knowledge;" "he that keepeth His commandments is glorified in truth and knoweth all things;" "as God is, man may become;" "bring up your children in light and truth." These and scores of other teachings are the guiding stars by which the humble saints steered and yet steer a course in life. A high and noble fruitage has followed these heaven-taught doctrines as inevitably as one reaps as he sows in the fields and in the orchards.

Christianity, Jewry, and Islam unitedly delight to honor Abraham as "the father of the faithful." He is revealed in the Book of Abraham as an ideal seeker after truth. The two stars that guided his footsteps from the beginning are stated in the very beginning of that record which he left in Egypt and which Joseph the seer received and translated. They are declared to be righteousness and knowledge. Abraham states them in his characteristic logical language:

"And, finding there was greater happiness and peace and rest for me, I sought for the blessings of the fathers, and the right whereunto I should be ordained to administer the same; having been myself a follower of righteousness, desiring also to be one who possessed great knowledge, and to be a greater follower of righteousness, and to possess a greater knowledge, and to be a father of many nations, a prince of peace, and desiring to receive instructions, and to keep the commandments of God, I became a rightful heir, a High Priest, holding the rights belonging to the fathers." Book of Abraham 1:2.

Similarly the Latter-day Saints, despite all their weakness, and despite all their struggles against opposition without and often much of poor human fraities within their ranks, have in a magificent way still kept aloft the torch represented in the Lord's modern-day admonition, "Seek learning even by study, and also by faith."

Herein shall we not say is the answer to our question, "What Is a Education?"

Herein also may we not see the Restored Church as "the Children of Abraham," in their thirst for righteousness and knowledge!

KEEPING CLOSE TO GOD

Recently the phrase "Keeping Close to God" was heard over the radio. It set going the processes of meditation.

Jesus was close to God—so close that He could say, I and My Father are one. I speak not of Myself, but the Father that dwelleth in me, He doeth the works.

So likewise it must be possible for man also to come close to the Deity. Else why should Jesus have prayed that His disciples might be one even as thou Father art in me and I in Thee, that they all might be one?

Elder Mathew Cowley of the Council of Twelve spoke along this theme at the Berkeley Stake Conference in May. His words about the temple meetings of the Twelve with the First Presidency each Thursday were impressive as we contemplate the Authorities coming fasting and praying and garbed in temple clothes. These men draw close to the Lord; and the promise is that if we draw close to Him He will draw close to us.

No wonder that the apostle at the Berkeley conference said, "I know that I can be very close to God. On one of the Hawaiian Islands there stands a little hut. In this hut lived George Q. Cannon, one of the first group of young elders to the Islands. An old Hawaiian lady told how she used to stand outside that hut and she reported that often she could hear that young missionary talking to God as he pled for the success of his mission. George Q. Cannon kept close to God and God was close to him so that the elders had mighty power."

"We can behold God but it is with the spiritual eye," declared Elder Cowley. And he counseled, "Get close to God, get down on your knees. It is wonderful. My father prayed in our home, 'Holy Father, give my children to follow closely the leadership of the holy priesthood'. We all need to pray. . . God is close. He will come into your home. He will save your children. Pray much and fervently in your home. Prayer, indeed, is an open sesame to the Lord's very presence."

Frequent reading the words of the Lord is another way to keep close to the Lord. Jesus taught the people to live by every word that proceedeth from the mouth of God .That also is what made him strong and close to his Father. He also said in John the 15th chapter, "Now ye are clean thru the words that I have spoken unto you." Those words cleansed and sanctified faithful ones who heard them. And anyone today may prove for himself that statemen of Jesus if he will open his Bible and quietly and reverently read that 15th chapter over to himself. From that reading one arises closer to God, and he can testify that those words have made him or her a cleaner person. So likewise one can daily keep himself clean and close to the Lord by letting Jesus speak to him from the pages of the Holy Scripture, ancient and modern. We would mention especially those other chapters of John, the 14, 16 and 17.

"Search ye the scriptures," said Jesus to his generation in Palestine, "for in them ye think the thoughts of eternal life."

Sometimes one wonders why the Lord has given us the Scriptures. Why did He have the Book of Mormon, for instance, brought forth at such a heavy cost of effort and suffering. Was it that it might lie unopened in LDS homes, gathering dust, while the family reads every other thing that comes to hand?

It is sometimes said that the Scriptures are the waters of life. Then it seems fair to ask whether we could not profitably drink these spiritual waters daily just as we do earthly waters. If the Scriptures are also the bread of life, then it seems equally fair to ask whether we could not profitably partake of them also daily just as we do of earthly bread. Unless humans do eat and drink spiritually each day are they not certain to lack spiritual strength, just as they would weaken themselves physically by a starvation diet?

And if the Scriptures are cleansing to the soul, should we not ask ourselves whether we should not apply this spirit-cleansing daily just as we do soap and water daily on our human hands and body?

By prayer, then, and by daily soaking the mind and the soul in the "vats of Scripture," may the human being come close to the Lord, have Him daily, yea hourly, in our homes and within our hearts singing peace.

Tributes Paid Brigham Young

The Brigham Young statue rests in the rotunda of the National Capitol. The Utah State Brigham Young Statue Commission issued an illustrated booklet containing the program at the presentation ceremonies in Washington, D. C., Jun 1, 1950.

In this booklet are quoted tributes to the quality of the life of Birgham Young by such men as George Bernard Shaw, Herbert Hoover and others, and also the words of six governors of west ern states, including Governor Earl Warren.

In recognition of July 24th, Utah's Pioneer Day, as well as of June 1, President Young's birthday the Messenger herewith presents most of the tributes contained in the booklet and program referred to above.

We in Arizona feel that we owe to Brigham Young and his Mormon pioneers a debt of gratitude for the settlement and the development of our great State . . . The wisdom has been proven by the high state of development that has followed in his footsteps.—Governor Dan E. Garvey, of Ariz.

Best known as a religious leader, Brigham Young likewise ranks high among the pioneer figures of the West . . , History credits him with the development of many of the trade routes, pioneer settlements and industries which have contributed greatly to the growth of the western states. —Governor Earl Warren, of Calif.

The history of Utah is a story of the courage, vision, and achievements of Brigham Young and his followers. — Governor Walter M. Johnson, of Colorado.

One of the finest communities in the whole United States sprang from Brigham Young's founding. —Herbert Hoover.

At the suggestion of Brigham Young, members of the Utah settlements moved into what is now Idaho, and . . . several "firsts" are attributable to them: the first school, first irrigation works, and the first railroad.—Governor C. A. Robins, of Idaho.

Throughout Nevada, decendants of the followers of Brigham Young have consistently played a vital role in the building of this State.—Governor Vail Pittman, of Nevada.

Brigham Young's personal integrity and his fine example of honest and sincere treatment of all those who had business or dealings with him, was a splendid example of the best in human conduct.—Governor Thomas J. Mabry, of New Mexico.

Brigham Young lived to become immortal in history as an Ameri can Moses by leading his people through the wilderness into an unpromised land.—George Bernard Shaw.

I have the feeling that Brigham Young's most enduring contribution to our civilization was to create a society in the pattern of community. He sensed . . . that men are at their best when they live together not as competing strangers but as mutually supporting friends and neighbors.—Harry A. Overstreet.

Brigham Young was more than the leader of his people. He was a great and prophetic figure in the openin?g of the West.—Daniel A. Poling.

The story of Brigham Young leading his homeless followers across prairies, deserts, and mountains to the Great Salt Lake Valley constitutes a saga of faith, courage, and devotion to an idea, unexcelled in history.—Governor A. C. Crane, of Wyoming.

Doing Business With LDS Business Men

By Dennis L. Lauper

We have a great opportunity to help one another by trading together.

A. Most of the businesses and professions are represented among our people.

1. They are reputable and reliable people.

2. We should search out our LDS brethren and include them with the circle of our patronage.

a. We pray fo reach other in the Church—here is a way to actually do something about our responsibility as "our brother's keepers."

b. All things being equal we should be winning to go across town to deal with another member.

B. When we trade or patronize a LDS man in business we accomplish three beneficial results:

1. We do ourselves a favor by trading with someone we can trust and help on for quality and services, and in fostering within us a loyalty to one another.

2. We help the business man by increasing his volumn of business. (When we can't personally use his products or services—we can still recommend his to someone else.)

3. We help the Church we are interested in because these LDS business men will tithe a tenth of the profit they make in dealing with us—along with their regular tithe.

"The Lyric West"

Des. News Sunday Magazine

BUDGET BLUES

This is something
Thas isn't so funny:
To have too much MONTH
At the end of the MONEY.

—o—

DESERT GHOSTS

The Joshua and Saguaro, with their spiny arms
Are singularly enchanting, with their grotesque charms.
Through the desert darkness, we see their ghostly faces,
Arms and legs a flyn', as if they're goin' places.

"BE NOT AFRAID"

Archie Inger, Hayward artist of "Be Not Afraid," which now hangs in the Dimond Chapel, Oakland Stake, writes to us about this masterpiece as follows:

"This painting 'Be Not Afraid,' was inspired by the dangers of war to all civilization from which not even our little children are exempt.

"Two little children have entered the Lord's House for safety; but it also is shattered. And while they pray the Lord appears and tells them, 'BE NOT AFRAID.'

"My two little neighbor friends, Gerald Garcia and Mary Ann Reyes, posed patiently as the children.

"It was painted at the request of the Dimond Bishopric at that time, and after discussions with Elder Glen Rounds.

"The name came to me as Ruth Hilton made her farewell address before leaving on her mission. Her admonition to the audience was the Saviour's charge to his frightened disciples during the storm on the Sea of Galilee, 'BE NOT AFRAID'."

Book Of Mormon Study Published

Dr. Nibley's New Work Important Church Literary Contribution

LEHI IN THE DESERET AND THE WORLD OF THE JAREDITIES, by Dr. Hugh Nibley; Bookcraft Publishers, Salt Lake City; 272 pages; $2.25.

Reviewed by Harold Lundstrom

As anyone can tell who reads even one page of his learned studies, Dr. Hugh Nibley is in love with the Book of Mormon.

He is interested in the smallest facts about his beloved book, and his enthusiasm makes his long and detailed study enjoyable. He has read, and quotes liberally countless authorities in literally every language for the history of places and peoples, cultures and backgrounds, and languages and philosophies, and as he piles up detail his investigation comes alive with solid evidence.

At his best, Dr. Nibley is scolarly and sensible. And he never looks down upon the unbeliever or beginning student of the Book of Mormon, nor does he try to trip and confuse him with the formidable jargon of erudition.

IN SIX PARTS

Divided into six parts and 25 chapters, the first half of Dr. Nibley's new book is concerned with the story of Lehi as contained in the first 18 chapters of the Book of Mormon (approximately 40 pages).

The second half of the book is also divided into six sections and further sub-divided into 22 chapters. This is "The World of the Jaredites,"a separate people told about in the Book of Mormon who came to the American continent centuries earlier than Lehi.

The two studies, both of which have been serialized in "The Improvement Era," are written with a modesty that makes Dr. Nibley's high-minded investigation and honest research attractive as well as impressive, and with a natural style that will leave every investigator, member or not, with incontrovertible proof to the authenticity of the Book of Mormon.

NOT FORCED

The evidence for such proof is not forced upon the student; it is part and parcel of the fairness accorded by Dr. Nibley's brilliant analysis.

Certainly, Lehi in the Deseret and The World of the Jaredites is one of the major literary contributions ever made proving the correctness that the Book of Mormon came forth "by the power of God."

Church Publications We Stand For

The Meseenger stands with Elder Mark E. Peterson of the Council of the Twelve in his conviction that the LDS mem bers could well subscribe for and enjoy reading the Church periodicals: the Era, the Relief Society Journal, The Instructor, the Children's Friend, and also the great Midwest Church News. Fifty cents a month. ($6. a year) just equals the price of the Church News, the Era, and the Relief Society Journal, together. That amount perhaps, won't hurt most families, but it will buy the most wholesome current reading matter that a LDS family can secure, we believe. Besides it will encourage and aid in enlarging these periodicals, both in scope and quality, and this means helping in the work of the Kingdom—that for which we probably pray every day.

Liahona Resolves To Rebuild

Pledging more funds and greater efforts in volunteer labor the members of the Liahona Club in their regular monthly meeting June 23 resolved to first clear and salvage the lumber and then build smaller units. The snow-wrecked Liahona Lodge on the club's campsite in the Stanislaus will not be rebuilt this year. But it was decided to immediately rebuild the Utility House and erect several tent-covered sleeping units having lumber floors and sides.

Meeting in the Green Shutter Hotel in Hayward, this regular gathering of the club saw the pinning of Liahona pins on the new club members, Jay and John Jibson, the big road construction contractor of Niles, after which members enjoyed to the full four delightful duets, including the "Indian Love Song," by Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Wilson.

Leslie Stone voiced what seemed to be the sentiment of the evening when he said that to quit on this project to build a club and a church camping center on the Liahona campsite would be the very death knell of the usefulness of the club.

It was announced that Arthur L. Hopkins and Sam Scott and committee will see that the water pipe is put into operation again. The July 4th week-end will be a great work day with everyone invited to come and help. Many pledges for this week-end and other July week-ends were received. Clyde Lindsay will be in charge for the July 4th work period, and it is hoped that many scores will make this a Liahona work period.

EDITORIAL PAGE

By JIMINY

My Elderberry Squirt Gun

Based upon a true incident in the life of Joseph Young whose boyhood was spent in southern Utah and who is now a resident of Idaho Falls, Idaho.

I remember once when "the still small voice" helped me have a lot of fun. It was just after conference. The speaker from Salt Lake had made a powerful plea to the people to believe in modern revelation, and to remember the Bible where it says, "If any of you lack wisdom let him ask of God who giveth to all men liberally and upbraideth not." The speaker had gone on to say that all of us, even the children, were entitled to guidance and inspiration from God in our daily life if we would only ask for it. So Sunday night when Ma made me say my prayers I asked for guidance that I might be able to do some good thing every day; and I promised to listen to the still small voice.

Monday morning Pa sent me and my cousin Jerry down to the corn patch to hoe, but hoeing wasn't very much fun; I couldn't get my mind on my work. All I could think about was making an elderberry squirt gun, so Jerry and I soon quit hoeing, and made some squirt guns. We got some long straight elderberry limbs and cut them off nice and square on the ends and about fourteen inches long. Then we found some birch limbs the same size as the elderberry when the bark was off. We inserted the birch limb in the elderberry bark, and with some whittling and scraping got a snug fit of the plunger in the barrel. We put the end of the barrel in the ditch and pulled back on the plunger; the hollow elderberry barrel filled with water ,and when we pushed down on the birch plunger the water squirted out with some force.

We had just finished these guns, and hadn't as yet got each other very wet when Pa stepped out of the birches with a big birch willow in his hand. I knew what was liable to happen. It was a time for fast talking.

"Why aren't you hoeing the corn,?" Pa's tone was almost even but a little skeptical, and menacing. neB ing.

"Well Pa," I said hopefully, "You remember what Elder Kimball said about each of us being entitled to guidance. Well, last night I prayed for guidance and promised to listen to "the still small voice." This morning "the still small voice" just kept telling me to make a squirt gun, make a squirt gun. Now Pa, you wouldn't want me to go back on my promise, would you?"

"Joe, don't you dare say 'the still small voice' told you to neglect your work."

I felt that willow coming closer. "No. Wait. Honest Pa, honest, 'the still small voice' didn't tell me to waste time playing. That was my own idea, but it did tell me to make the gun. We was just a'going back to work when you came. Honest Pa."

"Alright Joe, but I had better not catch you wasting any more time today. You get that corn hoed today and you and Jerry can play all you want tomorrow." We got the corn hoed alright. We didn't dare not too.

So that is how Jerry and I the next day came to be playing and hiding from each other in the currant bushes when old Grey Head, an Indian, came walking into the yard. He had his camp up the canyon, and he must have seen Pa and the older boys go up the canyon after poles because he was surely bold. He opened the front door and barged into the house. In just a second I heard my sister Mary scream, and then I heard Ma say, "Grey Head, you cover yourself up and get out of here."

"No, me want young squaw, then me go."

Jerry and I both came out of the currants on the run, and on around to the back door and into the kitchen. Grey Head had dropped his blanket in the middle of the front room and stood staring at Mary who shook with horror.

He made a perfect target and almost at the same time Jerry and I let him have it with out squirt guns; Ma snatched the lid off the tea kettle on the stove and we loaded up and let him have it again. It was too much for Grey Head. He grabbed his blanket and in the same movement dove through the door to land sprawl ing on the front step just in time for another shot on his exposed back. That water was boiling and it didn't cool too much before it reached him. His howls marked his course across the road and up the hill side.

Jerry and I laughed and laughed; Ma and Mary laughed too but not as loud as we did, and their eyes were wet. When Pa got home that night he came out in the yard where I was and patted me on the back, "I'm mighty glad son, that you listened to the still small voice."

Pres Claude Nalder Reports Mission Data

The Central Atlantic States Mission Bulletin for June 15, 1952 put out by President Nalder, former bishop of San Francisco Ward, states that Sister Lida Blackett, formerly of San Francisco Ward and later of Spanish Fork, Utah, has become housekeeper at the Mission Home, and has already endeared herself to the missionaries for her delicious cooking and her cheerfulness.

Lewis Oborn of Richmond and Rodeo, Berkeley Stake, now a missionary in the Central Atlantic States Mission leads the entire Mission in the number of cottage meetings attended, with a total for May of 110, thus causing the North Carolina District where he labors to lead the Mission in this activty with an average per missionary of 28.6 May cottage meetings attended. One Elder in that Mission sold 77 Books of Mormon while the leading ten Elders averaged over 60 sold in May.

The Mission Chorus on tour reports to President Nalder a continuing success in singing before civic and school kroups, and also many radio programs. Thus far on their tour they report having appeared before 77,027 people on 320 programs, 73 being over radio.

Our Readers Views

Letter from a LDS Physician and Surgeon.

"My conviction and obligation regarding even a suspicion of advertising do not permit me to have a listing in the Messenger. However, I do wish to help, so here is my check for ten dollars."

Dated June 2, 1952.
—Signature withheld

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Dear Sir:

I wish to call your attention to a mistake in the article "Pres. Ivins observed 71st Birthday May 11." Page 7—4th column. The article states that Pres. Ivins was called to the Quorum of Twelve and later served in the First Presidency. This is an error and the person who was made an apostle and served on the first presidency was A. W. Ivins, probably Antoine R. Ivin's father.

A. W. Ivins was ordained an apostle by Pres. Joseph F. Smith and served as second counselor to President Grant 1921-25, and as first counselor 1925-1934.

Antoine Ridgeway Ivins was set-apart to the First Council of Seventy by Pres. Grant.

Will you please make a correction in your next issue of the Messenger?

Sincerely your brother
T. Cleon Fitt

Editor's note: We sincerely commend such letter writers as T. Cleon Fitt. Let us get things right in print. However, perhaps it is in order to say that our copy to the printer contained the facts given by Elder Fitt and were corrected on the proof sheets which betrayed their omission. By some quirk, this marginal notation was overlooked by the printer. We were grieved also to read the erroneous printed paragraph.

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San Francisco, Calif.
June 17, 1952

Dear Messenger:

I am the new Messenger representative for Balboa Ward. We hope this first attempt won't be too long.

It's a great thrill to open up your little paper, and read about people we know. Many of our Ward people have spoken of the let-down feeling they get when there is no column in there about us. It's fun to read all the rest of the material, too.

Will be away for July and August, but Bishop Cummings is going to appoint someone to send in reports for those two months.

Ida M. Miller,
Balboa Ward,
769 Lakeview Ave.,
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News and Views of Book of Mormon

By T. S. Ferguson

The Ohio State Museum in Columbus has the most complete collection of Mound-Builder artifacts to be seen anywhere. A careful tour of this museum, togethr with the scientific reports presented, were enough to convince anyone that there were no connecting links between these Mound-Builder peoples of the United States and the Book of Mormon.

Their tools and artifacts are crude and inferior. Their ceramics were of a low order. They worked surface copper and silver cold and new nothing of the smelting and refining of metals.

No writing was known to them, except primitive and simple picture-drawings. They had no script representing sounds—they had no hiaroglyphic writing. They were not architects and their buildings were simply great heaps of earth piled over graves. They left no fine temples and palaces like those of Middle America.

Finally, the best of ancient Ohio and New York mounds and the surrounding areas is dated from 800 A.D. to 1,000 A.D.—long, long after the close of the Nephite period which ended in 422 A.D.

Do not these facts regarding the early people of Central United States have a bearing on the question, Cumorah where?

San Francisco In July

When July grey days are tolling,
When the fog is deeply rolling,
When the chill air's down the neck,
Weeps the tourists. "What the heck!"

Society

● **Elmhurst Ward.** Alan Newbold has moved with his parents to Utah. Adele and Phylis Powell have moved to Berkeley to live, and Caryl Jacobs and Joanne Partington left to work at the Oakland Recreation Camp near Yosemite for the summer.

● **A welcome addition to Sunset** Ward is talented La Verle Morley Nielsen, wife of T. R. Nielson. This handsome pair of redheads met while filling missions Denmark, and were married in the Salt Lake Temple April 1, 1952. La Verle who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. I. Morley of Eureka, Calif., has been set apart for two important positions in Sunset: choir director, and activity counselor in the MIA. T. R. serves in the same capacity in the Young Men's board.

● Joseph Parmley and wife, Val, and two children, Joanne and Alan, are Salt Lakers who have joined our Ward. Brother Parmley is a United States Engineer. Alan is stationed at Camp Roberts, but is home now on leave—Also home on leave are Mike Alvord from the Air Forces, and Leonard Patchen from the Army. Another lad in the Air Force is Wallace C. Naumann.

● Frank S. Young, a Stanford students entered Palo Alto Hospital June 12.

● Preston Horsley, is home for the summer from BYU.

● Connie Swenson, Activity Counselor in the Mutual ,is spending the summer in Salt Lake.

● Loren and Pat Richards have a new baby boy.

● Henry Hales and family, have moved down the Peninsula. We'll miss them.

● Brother and Sister Harold R. Jensen are on a vacation trip to the East coast.

● Ed Howard and family are on a two week vacation to Utah.

● Welcome back Ed, Val, and Dorothy Wegner.

● The Ship Brooklyn Camp of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers had their closing meeting for the year May 28 at the home of Corine Howard in Colma, Calif. A family picnic for all members and families will be held August 16th at San Mateo Park, at 4 p.m.

● An enjoyable evening was had by the 12 couples from Walnut Creek and Pleasant Hills Wards who dined and danced at the Officers Club, Treasure Islan, at the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Vern Rasmussen. It was in honor of their 13th Wedding anniversary that the smorgasboard dinner was planned. Other Anniversaries that were celebrated included Dorothy and Bill Matthews. Ken and Elaine Jense, Walter and Geneve Scott, and France and Robert Larsen. Others that attended were: John and Margaret Openshaw, Eugene and Thelma Jensen, Harb and Virginia Macey, Gordon Hawkins and wife, and Vern Rasmussen's brother.

Russell Ball — A recent change in policy by the Atomic Energy Commission regarding the use of its employees in performing work which is the primary responsibility of its contractors has required cancellation of the plans of Russell Ball and his family to stay in Oak Ridge, Tennessee for an additional year. Russell had been invited to stay in Oak Ridge as a member of the faculty of the Oak Ridge School of Reactor Technology where he has been studying since last September. The change in policy by the AEC will not permit one to remain on the AEC payroll while a member of the school faculty; so he now plans to return to Berkeley in the fall. This return to Berkeley may not be permanent since Russell is still being asked to accept the position as the AEC representative at Idaho Falls for the Aircraft Uuclear Propulsion project.

● The many friends of Glen E. Daniels congratulates him on the special government assignment. Glen, a graduate of the U. C. majoring in Astronomy, worked at the Lick Observatory, and as a camera man in color photography, all the while studying meteorology and related subjects.

In 1942 after enlisting in the U. S. Air Force he studied meteorology, forecasting and received his Masters Degree in meteorology.

He was commissioned a second Lieutenant and was retained as an Instructor at the University for one year, then at Hondo, Texas Air Force Base.

He later served in England, France, Germany and Belgium, and has been in the Reserve Weather Unit ever since. Today June 16 Glen and his wife left in a private compartment to carry his special equipment to Cambridge, Mass., where he will do special work.

● The Arnold Bangerters of Alameda held a warm reunion with Brother and Sister David Nauma from Hawaii. The Bangerters filled a four-year mission in Hawaii. Sister Nauma was the former Elizabeth Broadrich of Salt Lake City whom Sister Bangerter taught years ago in a Gleaner girls' class in the City of the Saints. June 24th the Bangerters left for a vacation in Utah.

● President and Mrs. Delbert Wright held a lovely reception at their home June 21 for their daughter, Lu Ann, and their son-in-law.

● The Daybells of Dimond held a reception at the Rock Ridge Women's Club June 6 for their daughter, Arline, and her husband.

● Mrs. Donna Cook of Santa Rosa had her parents from Southern California visit her recently in her new home.

● The M Men and Gleaner class of Santa Rosa enjoyed a fun farewell party recently in the way of night swimming and a delicious dinner prepared by the Gleaner girls. The class is dissolving for the summer months. Joyce Brisco is off for New Orleans, Helen Schick is headed for Los Angeles, Harris Allen is Utah bound, and Bonnie Alexander hears Oregon calling.

● Max and Athol Warr are moving to Los Angeles. An active, fun talented couple. The MIA Board members recently honored them with a party at the Vallejo Ward chapel under the direction of Loraine Stephensen, Stake Jr. Gleaner leader.

Graduation

● Claude Lundquist, formerly of Oakland, has graduated from the UAC in June, and was elected to Phi Kappa Phi. Claude has a fine record of straight A's throughout his whole career. He was on crutches at graduation time from a serious accident a few months ago.

● Congratulations to Merlene Swensen upon her graduation from the University of California. She is the daughter of the Meriner Swensens of Dimond Ward. After two days of rigid tests and a personal interview by the dean she has accepted in the Library school.

● Dooly Brantley, a Junior Junior Gleaner, at a special H. S. assembly was presented a gold cup awarded by the Bank of America, $100.00 award, a life membership in the California Scholarship Federation, and the Commercial Honor Society. She will continue her studies at the Vallejo Junior College.

● Armis Ashby of Maxwell Park Ward was graduated from Brigham Young University at the recent ceremonies; Ralph Osmond from Castlemont High School and Patsy Craig recently graduated from Holy Names College. She will continue her schooling in the foll to gain a teaching credential.

● Graduated from Oakland High School were Lanny Campton, Wright Swanson and Majory Allen, and from U. C. Merlynn Swensen.

● Mary Bigelow and Aline Baker of Pinole, graduated from the 8th grade of the Pinole Schools. The girls will attend high school in Richmond.

● Norma Klebauer graduated from high school this June in San Francisco and plans to attend U.C. this fall. Graduating from dental school are Wendall Taylor, Heber Fackrell, Ralph Price. Also graduating from BYU are Beverly Nalder and Wayne Wright, and Sr. Wright attended the "Y" graduation and brought Wayne and his wife home with them for a short visit.

● Graduated from Castlemont were Dana Brush, Peggy Fawcett, Dale Powell, Joanne Porter, Phyllis Powell, and Betty Jo Troub; from Oakland High, Shirley Rounds. All of Elmhurst ward.

● The niece of Mr. and Mrs. B. Herman Schettler, San Francisco Stake Clerk, Miss Carolyn Craig, daughter of John and Lucille Schettler Craig, 100 Sloat Blvd., was graduated with distinction from Stanford University on Sunday. Miss Craig will marry George Osborne III from Lindsay, Calif., on Wednesday. The couple will go to Fort Benning in Georgia to live for four months at which time Mr. Osborne will leave for Germany.

● Natalie Neff of San Francisco Ward will attend both summer sessions of the San Francisco State College from which she will be graduated in January.

● Marion Laycock of San Francisco Ward, daughter of Mrs. Edith Laycock, leaves Tuesday for New Hampshire where she will attend summer school.

● Another San Francisco Ward member, David Allred, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion L. Allred of Sharder street, will enroll in summer school at the University of Calif. where he is a senior student. David will be commissioned an officer in the reserves on June 20. We congratulate him.

● From Aptos Junior High School: Sherrilyn Roberts, Carol Stewart, Carol Nielsen,, Carolyn Wilson, Pat Slattery, and Vernon Simister. Orvil Taylor, a very active priest, graduated from Lick-Wilmerding School June 13. From Balboa High School, Gordon R. Naumann, Christina Constance, Dave Bennion.

SHOWERS

● Sister Irene Purpura was honored recently by her Sebastopol sisters with a stork shower. We are all hoping that the baby expected late in June will be a boy since father Paul is now outnumbered by his six daughters.

● A shower was given June 26th for Mary Comedant at the home of Marion Gold.

PERSONALITIES

● Ralph and Claire Engels are leaders of East Richmond Fireside. "Bro. Engels recently returned by plane from Atlanta Georgia where he had been called recently by the builders of the new Atomic Energy Commission plant for the projected Hydrogen Bomb. Bro. Engells had served in 1942-46 at Oak Ridge as an engineer in the building of the first atomic plant, and they now offer him every inducement to leave his present position as supervising engineer of heating for the whole Fourth Army in several western states and to go to Atlanta for a responsible position on the new hydrogen bomb plant construction. He is considering the matter .Sis. Engels is a grand-daughter of Pres. John Taylor and of aged Ruth May Fox of beloved memory.

● Bishop Ben Lamkin has been of great service to the people in the Hayward area for many years in the fire insurance field as well as in his loyal church work and other civic work. He is indeed a safe and reliable counselor in the matter of protection against the losses that fire might bring to any of us. Many of us perhaps need to increase the amount of our fire insurance in order to have full protection for possible rebuilding at the higher costs. The old amounts would be no longer adequate, for most of our homes and possessions.

SKETCHES OF THE CENTERVILLE BRANCH PRESIDENCY

Clyde Lindsay, 63, president of the Centerville Branch, was born in Eden, Utah, and filled a mission to Germany; became a member of the first bay area stake, the old San Francisco Stake. He has served as S. S. Superintendent both in Hayward and in Centerville. Clyde is a builder and contractor of very fine homes.

First counselor, Francis B. Winkel, 35, was born in Richfield, Utah ,and filled a three year mission in Tahiti. He served as a S. S. superintendent in Richfield. In Alameda ward he served as chairman of the finance committee which helped to erect the new Alameda ward chapel, and then served that ward as bishop. He is currently a member of the stake S. S. Board, and also is manager of the Bodily Mill and Lumber Company, a LDS-member owned corporation in San Leandro.

Second Counselor, Dr. James B. Robertson, 26, was born in Spanish Fork, Utah. Having received his M.S. degree in chemistry at the BYU in Provo, Utah, he attended Cornell University where he received the Ph D degree in chemistry. He is now employed as research chemist at the Westvaco Chemistry corporation in Newark, California. He served as S. S. Superintendent in Spanish Fork, and now is teacher of the Gospel Doctrine class in Centerville.

Last but not least is the Branch Clerk, Jed S. Oxborrow, 33, born in Lund, Nevada. He has served as the music director in Centerville from the time the S. S. was first organized in Centerville. While a member of Reno stake he served as president of the 20-30 Club and also as president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. Since residing in Washington Township Bro. Jed has been Director of Agriculture at Washington Union High School; he also serves as principal of the Mission San Jose Grammer School.

BIRTHS

● To the Lewis Schurtleffs a girl, Beverly Lorraine, born May 20 at Permante Hospital, Oakland; She weighed in at eight lbs.

● Mr. and Mrs. Paul Andrew Thompson, son and daughter-in-law of Mrs. Henry Eyring Thompson of Sunset Ward, are the very much pleased parents of a fine daughter whose name is Leslie Lynn. Their home is in Cocoa, Florida, where Paul is stationed.

● Shelley Elva Commendant, born May 31. 9 lbs. 12 ozs; to Mary and Fred Commendant of the Berkeley 2nd ward.

● Elizabeth Ann Gaisford, born June 14, 8 lbs. 1 oz.; to Geraldine and Harold Gaisford of the Berkeley 2nd Ward.

● To Jay and Donna Curtis of Walnut Creek a daughter born at Peralta Hospital May 24 weighing 6 lbs. 5 ozs.

● Lewis and Gene Bogle formerly Oakland Stake members have a baby girl, Jeannine, born Jne 20 in Salt Lake City.

● A little late, but we would like to congratulate Dr. Mark and Helen Brockband on the arrival of their baby daughter, Ann, who was born May 3.

● Dee and La Von Kirkham also have a new girl, Carla Dee, born June 3rd. A shower was held for Sister La Von last month at Sister Bea Perry's home at Ham ilton Field.

● An arrival of approximately three months is Susan Graham, daughter of Mr .and Mrs. Harry Graham (the former June Lewis).

SCOUTS

● Scout troop 131, of E. Richmond. under direction of Guy Bledsoe spent a week end in June at Clear Lake fishing and hiking. Wonderful weather and a very good time!

● On Tuesday, June 17,, 1952, the Cobra Patrol, under the leadership of Jerry Greenwood was awarded the Honor Patrol Penant for achievement and performance in the last three months. This patrol is going places.

● The following changes were made: Wally Allred was released as Senior Patrol leader and was promoted to Junior Assistant Scoutmaster, Jerry Greenwood was promoted to Senior Patrol leader, and his patrol was turned over to Tony Broughton who was his assistant. Buddy Earnshaw and David Johnson were advanced to Second Class. Both are from the Snipe Patrol. Buddy Earnshaw was also installed as the Patrol Leader of the Snipe Patrol. The scoutmaster is very proud of his boy leaders, and he is very much in favor of the patrol method in his troop. A good troop is judged not by the adult leadership, but by boy leadership.

Scouts of San Francisco Ward

● Mr. and Mrs Robert J. Peters and daughter, Krezel, of San Francisco Ward have gone to Feather River Canyon for two weeks with the scout troop from the Presidio which is under the leadership of Robert Nolan Pratt, also of San Francisco Ward.

Utah Pioneers Hunted the Praire Buffalo in order to add needy fresh meat to their scanty and poorly balanced food supply. This picture reproduces one of a series of steel engravings from sketches made on the plains by Elder Frederick Piercy, an English convert and author of a handsome leather bound book, "Route from Liverpool to Great Salt Lake Valley," published by the Church in Liverpool in 1855 and brought to Utah by many emigrants as a guide book. Photo courtesy Utah State Historians Office. Reproduced in July Messenger in recognition of July 24th as Utah Pioneer Day.

COMINGS and GOINGS

● Sister Ida Holmes is vacationing for a few weeks in Salt Lake City.

● Beatrice Lloyd and granddaughter La Dee enjoyed a delightful week in Salt Lake visiting her grandmother Mrs. Seth C. Jones.

● Elmeda Mc Namara and family will be in Salt Lake the month of July to get warmed up (Hope Berkeley isn't that cold!)

● Mr .and Mrs. Harry D. Raub and daughter Nancy of Sunset Ward are leaving the last week in July for Salt Lake City and Yellowstone for a two week vacation.

● The Bliss Cooks are spending their vacation in Utah. They took Mrs. Cook's sister, the song bird Jonie Russel with them for a visit. Bliss has accepted a position in the school system on this side of the bay for the following school year.

● Donna Pearce and children are spending their vacation with Mrs. Pearce's parents and other relatives in Oregon.

● Julia Fitzpatrick is spending the summer months on the European continent. Her baby Rosemary is with her. Most of the time will be spent visiting her mother and near friends in Belguim. Julia expects to stay till late fall.

● Mr. and Mrs. Austin Rainey of Dimond Ward vacationed in Utah where Melva a counselor in the YL, attended June Conference. They also did some temple work.

● The Myron Christensens of San Leandro were in Salt Lake City in June attending to some temple work, vacationing, and at tending June Confeernce.

● Sister Catherine Marsh is vacationing in Feriardo Porto Rico having gone there for the marriage of her niece Isobel Bowlard.

● Martha Gaisford and her son-in-law Tommy Noble and wife Helen are vacationing in Los Angeles. Helen is that very well known dancing entertainer we see so much in the Oakland Stake.

● Anna Pangren spent several weeks in Montebello, California, from San Leandro.

● Mr. and Mrs. Philip Farrin and Mrs. E. Z. Taylor of Vallejo, enjoyed the Memorial holiday in Gridley.

● William and Aston Hart and family have moved back to Vallejo from Salt Lake City.

● Lee Newman, stationed at Mare Island in Vallejo, during the past winter, has with him now, his wife and baby, from Gunnison, Utah.

● Mr. and Mrs. John Zundell and family of Vallejo, are enjoying a vacation in Brigham City, Utah.

● Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dusenberry of Vallejo have returned from a vacation in Salt Lake City and vicinity.

● Majorie Pack and two sons of Covena, California are vacationing in Vallejo at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. E. Z. Taylor.

● Sis. Catherine K. H. Marsh was in Puerto Rico in June attending the wedding of her niece. On her return trip, she expects to visit with friends in New York and Denver. Herb and Mary Marsh, together with Sis. Catherine, spent the Memorial Day week end in San Diego with Howard and Virginia Marsh.

● Bro and Sis Earl Meine, during the month of May, spent their vacation in Utah visiting members of their respective families.

● Sis. Ina Fell and her young grandson, Clark Jackson, left this past month for Toronto, Canada, where they expect to spend most of the summer.

● Bro and Sis. Wilford Snyder are spending a short vacation in Reno, Nevada and Westwood, California.

● The Myron Christensen family drove to Utah immediately following the high school graduation of their son, Bob, to attend the June MIA Conference and to be married in the temple.

● Herbert J. Marsh is leaving soon for an extended trip through the Eastern States after attending a convention for the Oakland School Department in Detroit. Michigan.

● Sis. Martha Gaisford has been visiting relatives in Salt Lake City for the past several weeks. Her daughter and son-in-law, the Thomas Nobles, left recently to join her. Sis. Gaisford will return with them.

● Mrs. Guy Bledsoe of East Richmond Ward, was called home for the funeral of her sister-in-law at Idaho Falls,

● Mrs Annabelle Jackson and children are enjoying a six weeks vacation in Utah with her parents. Dick will join her there the last two weeks, and they will drive home together.

● Mrs. Blanche Fish of Sebastopol Branch will be leaving soon to visit her mother, Mrs. Annie Hollingsworth in Preston, Idaho. They plan to spend some time there with the family and will probably visit Yellowstone Park.

● Miss Ivie Richardson, president of Sebastopol YWMIA, is visiting her family in Utah.

● Sister Myers and husband Lee Myers (our Mayor) traveled to Hawaii, then back home to Petaluma for a day or so and then on to the Eastern States. Sister Myers' mother, La Vern Hansen, from Spanish Fork, Utah cared for Bob, Dick, and Marilyn while their folks were away. The Myers returned just before Memorial Day.

● Bishop and Mrs. Wightman and family of East Richmond Ward returned recently from a two week vacation in Idaho and Utah.

Jane Bledsoe of East Richmond Ward enjoyed a four day cruise outside Happy Island Bay, along with her friend Janet Yost, on the Yost yacht.

● Mrs. Lila Holfeltz and children of East Richmond are spending several weeks with her mother Mrs. Gaisford of Ogden, Utah.

● Thurza Boyle of Dimond Ward spent her vacation time with her missionary sister and brother-in-law, the Simms Rays who now are laboring in Mento Park, Calif.

● Lucille Williams recently spent a week in Los Angeles visiting her daughter and friends.

● Shirley Turner has recently spent two weeks at her home in Salt Lake City.

● Bea Larsen has been spending a few weeks visiting in Utah.

● The Manton Moody family are leaving to spend a month vacation in the Hawaiian Islands.

● The James Nackos family recently visited a relative in Los Angeles.

● Mr. Samuel Neff of Grants Pass, Oregon, father of David B. Neff of the San Francisco Stake High Council, visited here on his way to Salt Lake City. Mr. and Mrs. Steven B. Neff and children, Wilma and Jack, from Santa Rosa motored to San Francisco to see their father and grandad.

● Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth M. Glew and family, Jordan, Arlene, and Everlie, left for a six-week vacation. They will visit the canyons in Utah, relatives in Salt Lake City, Yellowstone National Park, and the northwest where Mr. Glew's relatives live before returning here in July.

● Miss Nancy Tolley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Drex Tolley of Gridley, California, is here visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. Hickenlooper and family of Sunset Ward.

● Dr. and Mrs. Ira I. Sommers are in Santa Barbara this week.

● Mrs. Esther Thompson has had as her guest from Alberta, Canada, her nephew, Mr. Morgan Coombes, here on vacation.

● Mr. and Mrs. William J. Nibley vacationed in Salt Lake City and Oakley, Idaho; Bill will return after two weeks, but Yvonne will remain for a longer stay.

● Mr. and Mrs. Erroll Park Bailey of Salt Lake City, brother and sister-in-law of Vivian Bailey Neff, have been in San Francisco on their vacation enroute to Monterey and Los Angeles.

● Mr. Fred Clawson, formerly of San Francisco Ward, who has been living in Salt Lake City attending the University of Utah has been the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter K. Schuchardt and their son, Robert, at their home on Sacramento St. Fred was a dinner guest on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. David Neff and family. Fred will leave on the night flight Tuesday to join his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence F. Clawson, and sisters, Nancy and Carol, in Honolulu.

● Returning June 21 from a three weeks' vacation tour of the East were Mr. and Mrs. Leo L. Crandall of Lewelling Court Alameda. Included on their itinerary were Washington, D. C., Williamsburg, Virginia, New York, Montreal, Toronto, Detroit, and Chicago . . . . In the "small-world" department, the Crandalls report that in New York they met a trio of Alamedians, including Mrs. Fannie Bessey and Mrs. Ann Tuttle, enjoying the same sightseeing tour of the city, one of 17 in the metropolis.

● Mrs. Kate Hardisty spent a lovely week at Yosemite this month with a neighbor.

● Mrs. Helen Brockbank attended June MIA Conference.

● Dr. Mark and Blanch Lewis just returned home from a week's trip to Spanish Fork and Eastern Utah.

● Clair and Mathel Davenport and children went to Idaho Falls, Idaho on their vacation. They visited the Idaho Falls Temple while there.

● Your regular correspondent Sister Nola Baker and family left Saturday on a vacation: Dee to Washington, D. C. on business, Nola and daughter Jackie and Tamra to Ogden, Utah.

● Mark J. Brockbank M. D., of Petaluma, and member of the Santa Rosa Stake High Council, returned June 1 from a three-weeks trip to St. Louis to attend the general scientific meetings of the Cancer Research Council. En route he stopped in Salt Lake to visit with his father, Dr. Carl Brockbank of Price, Utah, who was recently returned from his labors in the Spanish-American Mission. He also stopped off in Ogden to attend the three-day meeting of the Ogden Surgical Society.

RODEO

Nelma and Robert Kersey of Rodeo Branch have taken their family to Idaho for a vacation. They will visit friends and relatives.

Margaret Shoell of Pleasant Grove, Utah, is here visiting. She is the mother of Geneva Wanlass, wife of our Rodeo Branch President.

Rual Wanlass will take his family to Utah for a two weeks vacation. They will take Sister Wanlasses mother back to her home in Pleasant Grove.

In Rodeo for a short visit were Mrs. LeRoy Gammon and two of her daughters. They were on their way home to Lehi, Utah, and have visited the Gammon's son, Elder Harold Gammon who is laboring in Klamath Falls and who spent many months as a missionary in this area.

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OBITUARY

● The infant son of Bishop and Sister Nethercott of Elmhurst Ward passed away on the 16th of May, a day or so after his birth.

● Lola May Ellsworth Empy, died June 16, 1952 in Oakland. She was the daughter of Oliver Dudley Ellsworth and Dena Blomturst, and grand-daughter of Edmund Ellsworth and Mary Ann Dudley and mother of Lorraine Elijabeth Whiffen.

● Elizabeth Peterson formerly organist for the old Berkeley ward, and mother of Basil Peterson, president of Pasadena Junior College, died in Salt Lake City June 8. She was living in an apartment house with several other women who also devoted their time to temple work. She is reported to have died of a heart condition while taking a bath.

● Leo and Chooe Stewart of Rodeo Branch, went to Utah to attend funeral services for Brother Stewart's brother.

● Our deepest sympathies to the family of Etta Matilda Sparks, who passed away the 16th of June, 1952.

● Our sympathy is extended to Sister Kowaiski and her family upon the passing of her mother Elizabeth Christensen who had been in Pleasant Hills ward visiting for several months, and passed away in Utah June 8.

● Our sympathy extended to Sister Landes at the passing of her husband Herbert Landes of Walnut Creek Ward. Bro. Landes passed away June 5 while working as a Railway Mail Clerk.

● Our sincere sympathy is extended to Harold (Hal) Hansen of San Leandro and family in the sudden death of his mother.

● John Shields, 70, former bishop of Oakland Ward, and former member of the original Oakland Stake high council, died in Oakland after years of illness June 27, and interment was in the Mt. View cemetery, Oakland.

WEDDING BELLS

● Miss Donna Wilkinson, daughter of Mr. Wm. Wilkinson of Dimond Ward, was married to Melvin Christinsen at his home, 544 Wilmington Ave. San Lorenzo, Friday, April 18th. Walter Price LDS Bishop officiated. They are now at home in South Norfolk, Virginia, where he isafrogman in the navy.

● Miss Dawna Ericksen and David McLelland of Berkeley were married June 16 in the Salt Lake Temple. A reception was held at the Berkeley Ward Chapel June 24.

● Susan Joy Anderson was married Saturday, July 5th to Calvin Horne Simmons.

● Eunice Harmon, daughter of Pres. and Mrs. Glenn Harmon of Berkeley Stake was married June 9th in the Salt Lake Temple to William Lee Knecht. A wedding reception was held June 12 at the Harmon home on Cragmont, Berkeley.

● News was received of the wedding of former Northern California missionary Elder Leslie Boothe to Lew Ella Johnson. Elder Boothe's home is in Idaho Falls, Idaho. They were married in the Idaho Falls Temple.

● Liahona Yist and Neil H. Christensen were married in the Salt Lake Temple, after which a reception was held in Salt Lake City, June 4.

● Congratulations to the many young people of the ward who are being married: Arlene Daybell and Bayard Barnes married June 6 at a home wedding by Bishop Elmo Smith, followed by a reception at the Rockridge Women's Club; Margaret Allen and Glenn Shaw married in the Logan Temple, and their reception at the Allen home; Allene Hunt and Richard Mason married May 19 in the Mesa Temple where also a double marriage took place when Blaine Le Cheminant and Vernell Torgeson, and Vernell's brother, K. Ted Torgersen and Jeannie Clark were married on the same day.

● Lovely showers were given these girls. One honored Arlene at her home; one for Margaret Allen by Eleanor Goodsell, Vernell Torgersen, Allene Hunt Mason and Jeannine Clark at the Goodsell home; one honored Louanne Wright by Jeannine Clark and Vernell at the Torgersen home; one for Jeannine Clark was given by Lu Wright and Vernall Clark at the Torgersen home. Vernell Torgersen was honored by a surprise shower by Louanne Wright. The Blue Cross where Vernall works also gave her a shower at the home of Bonnie Gardner . . . Greetings go to Don Brown and Katie Mason who were recently engaged.

● Edna Ried and Harry Ketjen were married June 14 by Bishop Horace J. Ritchie in the Sunset Ward.

● Caroline Craig and George K. Osborn were also married by Bishop Ritchie during the month

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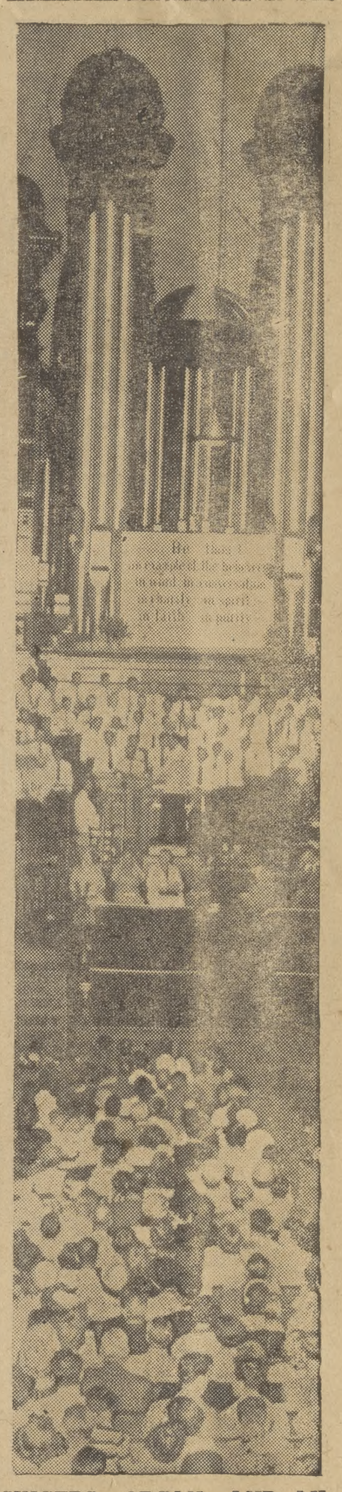
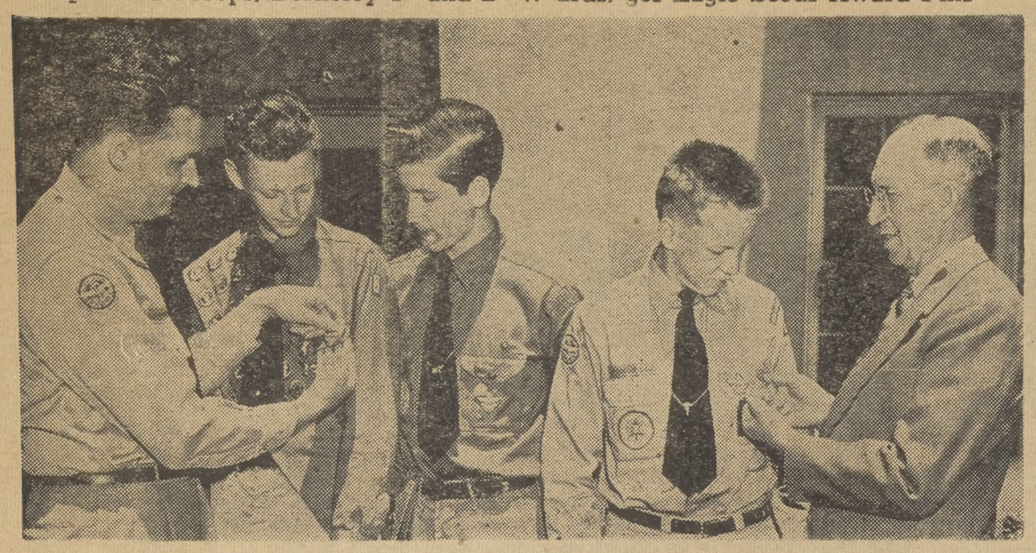


SINGERS ORGAN AND AUDIENCE — Typical of the many colorful and thrilling Tabernacle scenes during MIA Confrence is this slender shot of section of the Boys Choir, presiding officers, the audience and the great organ.

Boy Scout Troops, Berkeley 1" and 2" W ards, get Eagle Scout Award Pins



Explorer Advisor Phil Squire pins Deseret Recognition Award on Eagle Scout Frank Meredith, while Explorer Apprentice Arthur L. Hopkins looks on. Bishop J. Ward Green, of Berkeley Second Ward, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints makes a similar award to his son, Explorer Apprentice Tom Green. These Three Explorers are the first to earn the Deseret Recognition Award in Berkeley Stake

Berkeley Stake News

The Genealogical Committee's concert of June 9 was a musical treat seldom equalled. The singing of the Mormon Male Chorus seems to grow more perfect with the months; the violin playing of Donna Lee Wall was so perfect that the audience would fain have spent the remained of the evening listening to the pure, and true voice of that instrument as played by a devoted, highly trained and polished artist.

Mrs. Meredith was at her very best which is saying a great deal for that talented vocalist. The solos by Baine Wilson were so very satisfying that many think he has come from the opera centers of many years experience. All the other numbers were great in delight. Dr. C. Ronald Smith and the committee are to be congratulated for bringing such programs annually in the way of charming reminders to the saints to care for their temple work sometime during their summer trips thru the cities that have LDS temples.

Edwin Markham Celebration

Mrs. Stanley Patton was one of the speakers at the Edwin Markham Centennial celebration of the Ina Coolbrith Circle held at San Francisco Public Library, Sunday afternoon, May 25, 1952.

Mrs. Patton, who was associated with the late Dr. Henry Meade Bland in the restoration of the Edwin Merkham home, 432 South 8th Street, San Jose, spoke of the life of Markham in San Jose and of visits to the old shrine in the later years of his life. There one finds the Markham table, chairs, pictures and many of his library books. It is open to the public.

Funeral services were held June 16 for Etta Sparks who served in so many church organizations in both the Berkeley 1st and 2nd wards. Speakers were the bishops of the two wards, Cornell Jarman and J. Ward Green; heard also were a scriptural reading by LaVon Eyring, and solos by Helga Evans and Paul Summerhays, and numbers by the Singing Mothers, a group of ladies with which Sister Sparks loved to sing.

Etta Sparks was born in Park City, Utah in 1903, came to Berkeley 22 years ago, and has given more years of service to the Primary than any other woman in the word, it is thought.

She is survived by her husband, Morgan Sparks ,two daughters, Gwendolyn Sparks Beal, and Constance, three sons, William, Richard and Ronald, and by two grandchildren. She also has a sister, Mrs. Thomas Burt of Park City, and three brothers, Alex Fife of Salt Lake City, Clifford Fife of Bishop, California, and Ralph Fife of Sacramento.

Orchids to the Singing Mothers

Dr. Raymond Knight presented the Singing Mothers of the two Berkeley Wards with gorgeous orchids on the evening of June 1, 1952. preceding their annual concert.

Dr. Knight generously donated these lovely flowers in honor of his late wife, Louise, who was an enthuiastic member of this organization for many years.

The concert was a rare treat. The singers under the direction of Helga Evans with Grace Boyack accompanist, are to be congratulated for the service they render to the members through their faithfulness and talents. The following numbers were sung by the ladies "Praise Ye the Father," Cherubim Song No. 7 "If Ye Love Me Keep My Commandments," "Bless This House," "Murmuring Zephers," "Homing," "Galway Piper (an Irish folk song), Let All My Life be Music." "Bird Songs at Evenentide," and "Eternal Life."

Vocal numbers were sung by Clyde Lindsay, and Vera Meredith. and violin numbers played by Francelle Larsen.

MIA Summer Program Berkeley 1st and 2nd and Claremont Wards

July 1—Movie: Berkeley Ward Recreation Hall, 7:30 p.m. "Brewster's Millions," a hilarious comedy for all ages starring Dennis O'Keefe, and other stars . (All three wards)

July 8—Class Activities Night: (Berkeley Wards only). The activity, the time, and the place will be determined by each individual age-group leader.

July 9—Class Activity Night: (Claremont Ward Only) Same as July 8.

July 15—Dance Night: Berkeley Ward Recreation Hall, 7:30 p.m. Dancing for everyone's taste. An evening of fun and frolic—something that all parents will enjoy. (All three wards).

July 22— Swimming Party: (Berkeley Wards Only) 8:00-10:30 p.m. Place: Albany Pool.

8:00-9:20—The pool will be open to the public as well as ward Members

9:30-10:30 —The pool is reserved for the exclusive use of the MIA Tickets are necessary. They may be secured without charge from your Mutual Officers

July 24—Swimming Party—(Claremont Ward Only) 8:00-10:30 p.m. Same arrangements as shown for July 22

July 29—Dance Night: Berkeley Ward Recreation Hall 7:30 p.m. Same as July 15. (All three wards).

ATTENTION BERKELEY WARDS:

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From Vallejo, Grant L. Brown, Jan Brown, Ward, Ella, Judith, Billy and Joe Ingham.

From Fairfield, Mrs. Grace Fisher;

From Provo Utah, E. M. Skipworth, Luella Skipworth, Sharee Lou Skipworth, and Bessie Alderwood.

East Richmond Ward

By Irma Bledsoe

Bishops Message:

"Remember, remember that it is upon the rock of our Redeemer, who is Christ the Son of God, that ye must build your foundation; that when the devil shall send forth his mighty winds, yea, his shafts in the whirlwind, yea, when all his hail and his mighty storm shall beat upon you, it shall have no power over you to drag you down to the gulf of misery and endless woe, because of the rock upon which ye are built, which is a sure foundation, a foundation whereon if men build they cannot fall." Helaman 15:12.

Allen Lowe was welcomed home from his two year Canadian Mission with an enthusiastic party. Our former Bishop, Glen Unberger motored with Allen from Salt Lake. We were very pleased to see Glen after six years absence. Both have returned to their homes in Utah.

East Richmond Ward Chorus, formerly under the direction of Sylvia Boe, and Lea Esperson, now have a new Choral Director,

Alaine Wightman. Lea will take a leave of absence for a time. Thanks to Lea for making the chours a success. We are all behind Alaine.

The Primary has changed its time from Thur. at 4 o'clock to Thur. at 10:30 a.m. They opened their summer program with a picnic at Alvarado Park, with 60 children plus teachers enjoying games, hikes and luncheon.

Statue of Moroni Atop S. L. Temple Gets Ne wGold Cover

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inch figure was last refinished 28 years ago, according to the caretakers of Temple Square.

Refinishing of the famous statue is part of a general repair and maintenance of the building, according to J. Frank Marble, superintendent of buildings and grounds on Temple Square and of the Church Office Building block to the east. Masonry work on the world-famed building has been under-going a careful scrutiny during the summer of 1951 and the current season.

220 FEET UP

Scaffolding erected to inspect and repair the masonry on the east spires was extended upward to facilitate work on the statue. The work of applying the gold leaf will be done from a scaffold 220 feet above the ground, to the upper part of the impressive figure. Height of the masonary at the foot of the figure is 210 feet.

Mr. Marble estimates that the cost of refinishing the figure will be about $700. This does not include cost of erecting and dismantling the scaffold.

Pittsburg Ward

Thora Astle, Reporter

During the recent Ward, Relief Society, Primary and MIA conferences many favorable comments from visiting stake leaders were heard concerning the renovation of the Chapel.

The complete recoveries of Ted Skolmoski and young Tommy Krey, after recent illness which nessitated hospitalization, and the report that Sis. Janie Pizzuto is on the mend following a recent serious operation pleases everyone.

The Floyd G. Eyres of Ogden, Utah, have been recent visitors at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, the Earl Lees. Brother Eyre was formerly President of the Canadian Mission. Upon their return to Utah they will be accompanied by their grandchildren, the Lee twins, Patricia and Michael.

Starr Brockbank, a former member of Pittsburg Ward, has returned to this area from Utah, and, with his family, will again make his home here.

Rodeo Branch News

By MARGIE HAYDEN.

The Relief Society lessons for the year were completed. The ladies had a lovely luncheon to mark the close of their year.

On Father's Day the Sunday School presented each father with a carnation.

The Primary went on a picnic, their first of the season. They enjoyed horseback riding too.

The first girls to graduate from Rodeo Branch's Primary are Gladys Lewis and Sharon Kersey. A nice program was arranged for them by their teacher and Primary officers.

One of our fulltime missionaries, Elder Don Terry was transferred to Hayward.

Last week the MIA went on an outing to Oak Park Lake. A group of these young people have been working in our youth choir. They have been singing for us every Sunday night. During the absence of Sisters Fails and Horn, MIA Young Men's President, Leonard Smith, has been keeping the group together with the help of Doris Lott as chorister.

Next Tuesday the Branch is to have a box lunch with old time dancing as entertainment. The lunches will be auctioned to provide funds for the Branch.

Berkeley 2nd Ward

By Anna Lea Spencer

The Relief Society enjoyed a wonderful luncheon and party out at the Rod and Gun Club in Richmond. Thanks to Barbara Langlois, the sewing instructor, who made it possible.

Dreams are coming true for Ina Hopkins Speer who will join her husband in San Diego this month. George has been in Korea and Japan. He will not only greet one smiling face but two, Iina, and little Pamella Jean whom he has never seen before.

Congratulations to Brother Ward Hall who became a member of our Church this month.

We are very proud of three Explorers of our ward: Tommy Green, Bud Hopkins and Frank Meredith who have just received The Deseret Award, being the only ones in the Berkeley Stake or the Berkeley-Contra Costa Council area to win this award.

Ride-a-Cock-Horse to Sengels' Ranch, that's what the Boy Scouts enjoyed most on their trip to the Valley of the Moon, 10 miles northeast of Sonoma. Thirteen Scouts under the leadership of Gordon Rose, Bishop Jarman, Howard Thulin, Warren Larson, and Bill Cain were on the outing.

The dates are all set June 26th July 7th for the next Scouts Outing at Wolfburo Camp (Council Camp)in the high Sierras. 15 boys under the direction of Gordon Rose plan to attend.

The Singing Mothers concert June 1 before the two wards pleased and inspired an audience that filled the chapel. Helga Evans and her singers won many expressions of appreciation.

Berkeley 1st Ward

Cliff and Grace Boyack have gone again to Cazadero Camp where Cliff presides for the Berkeley Recreation Department each year. He has taken with him Albert G. and Marilyn Everetts and Joyce Hill to help at the camp for the summer. The Everetts will locate in Fresno where Albert S. takes on the duties of a high school social science teacher.

Richard Hall, Dave Gardner and Patsy Russell are home from the "Y".

Calvin Wood's farewell was held in the Berkeley Chapel and attended by many from our ward.

Everybody in the ward seems to enjoy our excellent ward choir under the leadership of Andy Gardner and with Mary Burton at the organ. Helga Evans is most appreciated as the leader of the Sunday School music. Many have commented upon the exeellent condition of the chapel and the grounds which are cared for so well by Weston D. Seegmiller.

Stanley Patton is still ill at home. He has been in and out of the hospital for short periods. All are hoping for his speedy recovery.

Margaret and Leland Fife are rejooicing over a fine baby girls while LaVon and Joe Erying are equally proud of their new son. LaVon's mother came down from Idaho for the occasion.

Many visitors are seen in our ward. Some of them coming for study at Cal.

Roxy and Earl Peterson are the proud grandparents of a baby girl born to LaVon and Ariel Hinds of Sacramento.

Engagement has been announced of Charmaine Guthrie to Tom Halversen. Carolyn Johnson plans to be married August the 13th, to Dr. Harold E. DeLaMare in the Salt Lake Temple.

Eunice Harmon became Mrs. Knecht in a temple ceremony early in June at Salt Lake City. A lovely home reception followed. They are now at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

Dave McLellan and Dawna Ericksen were married in the Salt Lake Temple June the 16th and had a reception that evening at the Lincoln Chapel there and another reception held at the Berkeley Chapel June 20th. Dave it to teach this summer a course in creative arts for young people at the California School of Arts and Crafts, Oakland. This fall will see the bride and groom located in Fresno where Dave will teach art at the new Yosemite Jr. High.

Mrs. Elizabeth Peterson, 67, formally so well known in Berkeley Ward, died at her home in Salt Lake City in mid-June. She has resided in Salt Lake City the past six years devoting her time largely to temple work. President Young of the Salt Lake Temple spoke at her funeral. Surviving are a son and daughter, Dr. Basil H. Peterson, Newport Beach, California; Mrs. Bernice Rusher, Tillamook, Ore.; five grand children, three brothers and two sisters.

Genealogy Of Taft

An unusual article has been received by the editor on the genealogy of Senator Taft, arranged with the help of Apostle Ezra Taft Benson and published by G. W. Curran of Yuba City, California. Mr. Curran is also author of a booklet entitled, "Children Of God," in which the doctrines of Roman Catholicism has been compared with the LDS doctrines.

We understand the booklet was checked against error in the church office building, under the direction of the late Apostle Joseph F. Merrill. Curran who had been a member of the Catholic church for over forty years, was born within sight of the Hill Cumorah in New York State. Coming to Salt Lake City in 1936 after having been baptized by the Elders at Palmyra, N. Y., he felt impelled to make a comparison of doctrines. He also became intensely interested in genealogical work.

His genealogical line connects up with Joseph Smith Jr., in 1334 and with Brigham Young in the eleventh century.

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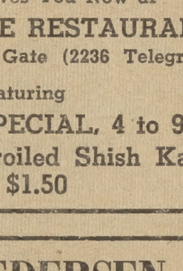
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Father and Sons Outing, Berkeley "1 and 2" Wards at Barbecue Pit Camp, Mt. Diablo State Park.

Back row left to right, Dr. Douglas Ream, Denzel Allen and Mark. Front row, Bishop J. Ward Green, Gene Jacobs and son Stephen, Tommy Green, Eldon and David Ream, Tom Young and Fred Commandant Boys around Campfire left to right, Don Boyack, Clyde Derr, Robert Baer, Harry Johnson, Jan Roddick, Kenneth Kennedy. Group by car left to right, Carl Johnson, Geo. Olson and son Robert, Bishop Cornell Jarman, Joe Eyring and son Phil, W. Glen Harmon, and Neil Larson. Cliff Boyack leading group with back to camera. (Photo by Warren Larsen—Berkeley 2nd Ward).

Berkeley 1st and 2nd ward held a Fathers and Sons outing Friday Night, May 2, at Barbecue Pit Camp of Mt. Diablo State Park. Everyone brought their own food and supplies. After supper was a campfire program under the direction of Cliff Boyack, with singing lead by Andy Gardner.

Saturday morning came a short program honoring the restoration of Aaronic Priesthood with a talk by Pres. W. Glen Harmon. After breakfast all went to the top of Mt. Diablo where it was possible to see snow capped Sierra Nevada mountains across the San Joaquin and Sacramento Valleys. Upon the return to camp various group games were enjoyed until time for lunch. After lunch all returned to their homes. Fifty-five fathers and sons attended; all are enthusiastically awaiting the next similar camp which may be held later this year.

Martinez Ward News

By Alva Forsyth

Bishop's Message

Your Bishopric would like to pass on two thoughts. First, strive to increase in faith by prayer and study. Increase faith by reading the Scriptures, preferrably, a little each day. Rear Alma 32, Hebrews 11, and James, 2, as a starter. Second, keep the Sabbath Day holy. Try and plan your vacation so that you will be able to worship the Lord on Sunday wherever you may be.

Breat blessings of spiritual strength and faith can be ours if we live for them.

Relief Society

A most enjoyable Relief Society Birthday Party was highlighted by a Cook Book sale. These books were compiled by the members donating their favorite recipes.

On May 29th a Cancer film was shown at Relief Society. A physician was on hand to answer questions from the large group.

The summer work-meetings will make quilts for members and do bazaar sewing.

Primary News

The Primary was proud to honor five seagull girls with a beautiful graduation June 12. They were Muriel Swanson, Linda Skidmore, Patsy Burgess, Norma Williams and Shirley Cook. Two members Lee Polson and Diane Skidmore were given special recognition for perfect attendance at Primary during this past year.

The regular summer program began June 19th and will continue through the summer at 9:30 a. m. till 1:30 a. m. The older groups will enjoy "Stories from the Book of Mormon." All classes will enjoy participating in Arts and Crafts cources planned by their teachers.

Patsy Mathisen Burgess was baptized May 31st and confirmed June 1st.

We are sorry to lose Sister Edna Korth, because of her new calling as Stake Missionary.

Leona Owens has been released as a teacher and sustained as a Librarian-Historian.

On June 19th the Primary officers and teachers enjoyed an evening of relaxation and fun. "The Art of Dresden Painting" was demonstdated and everyone participated.

Ward Organization Changes

Genevieve James is now Music Director and Organist, with Audrey Easton Assistant Organist. Ella Carlston is First Counselor for the Relief Society and Jessie Shaw second Counselor. Verda Hughes is now president of the YWMIA and Fern Mosier is Manual Counselor. Lilla Carrol Frease has been appointed Activity Counselor. Vivian and Ancil Rorick are now supervisors of Welfare Canning.

WRECKED, TANGLED MESS OF TIMBER AND BOARDS, of Liahona Lodge. The snow pack smashed this stately structure flat, even chopping sheer the two by ten floor joists.. Only the huge log girders, and the concrete footings remain intact.—

Photo by William B. Clements

BYU Leadership Week Draws From Bay Area

Dr. C. Ronald Smith, head of Geneological committee for the Berkeley Stake, took a wire recording set with him to the ten classes on Genealogy he attended at the BYU Leadership week in Provo, June 16-20, 1952. Mrs. James J. Muir of Oakland Stake also enrolled in the same course of lectures.

Phillip Lewis of Rodeo and I. B. Ball of Berkeley and Messenger editor, visited Leadership Week on the opening day on their way home from the June Conference.

Reports are to the effect that the 29th Leadership Week will exceed in several ways the 28 preceding years. Held during the winter heretofore, the June date now has been chosen.

The simple pattern of leadership Week, it is reported, consists of ten intensive courses meeting twice daily for the five days, studying: improvement of teaching genealogy, bishops workshop, building maintenance, welfare, recreational, leadership, music workshop, coaching basketball, executive leadership and quantity food cookery for church affairs.

In addition to these ten intensive courses for which a full week's registrations was a requirement, were many other offerings open to anyone at all times, such as, public speaking, family living institutes, scripture institute, religious films, science for homemakers, today's problems and their solutions, audio-visual lectures, handicraft, art, drama workshop, and decisions in 1952.

All these courses and lectures are by BYU deans and professors or by outside leaders.

Bay area attendants at Leadership Week declare the morning general assemblnes and the evenings of music and drama by the famous Pagnanini quartet were real feasts for the mind and the soul.

Appearing on the general assemblies were Stephen L. Richards of the First Presidency, Archibald F. Bennett, secretary Church Genealogical Society, Le Grande Richards of the Council of the Twelve, Dr. Ernest L. Wilkinson, President of BYU, and Marion G. Romney of the Council of the Twelve.

Hayward Ward News

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spent. The Bishop urges all who have not paid or pledged their amount to please step forward. Our pilgrim Fathers did not win Freedom for us by holding back and letting the other ones do it for them.

ACHIEVEMENT

Since his High School days Dan Starks has worked at J. C. Penny's. Also he has played the piano in Sunday School and often at Sacrament Meetings. About the first of June the Manager of Penney's called Dan into his office and advised him that he had been promoted to the head of a department, with a nice advance in salary. Three days later Dan was back in the Manager's office with a letter from the First Presidency in his hand. He had received a call for a full-time Mission. Dan turned down the promotion and the lucrative pay to answer the call. A farewell testimony was held for him Friday June 13th.

It was Tice Winkel who said: This life is a dress rehearsal for eternity; the part that we practice here, will be the part that we will play there.

Oak. Stake News

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daughter Verna joined the Church in Toronto, Canada years ago. Now Mrs. Fell and her grandson Clark Jackson, son of Bishop Clifford and Verna Jackson has gone to Canada for an extended vacation.

This month some of my news items came from a little newspaper put out by the San Leandro Relief Society each month and distributed by the visiting teachers as they make their visits to the entire ward. The paper is called "Resome" which is taken from the first two letters of Relief Society Message. The name was suggested by Alice Bower. Sister Mary Marsh does the typing and mimeographing besides being stake mission secretary.

Herbert Marsh with six others from the schools of Oakland was chosen to represent Oakland at the National Educational Association in Detroit. Herbert expects to go to New York and Washington, D. C. before returning home.

Amelia Everett is much improved after her illness. She got around just in time to welcome her son Don home from the East. He had been gone nearly a year.

The Kenneth Everett family, recently back in our stake from Ogden, Utah have purchased a home in Alameda.

Keith Stevens, our newest returned missionary, has gone into service of his country.

Oakland Ward News

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new face. During the past few weeks all able bodied men repainted the entire outside of the building with the sisters of the ward furnishing the lunches and the cheers.

The annual Oakland Stake Bee Hive Swarm Day was held May 31st, 1952 in the Hayward Chapel. It was indeed a highly successful event. Oakland Ward won a first prize.

The theme of the day was "Bee Hives' Round the World." Each ward represented a nation and took part in songs and dances.

Delicious refreshments were served by each ward at attractively decorated tables. Oakland Ward won first prize for its artistically arranged table in the Hawaiian motif. Beekeepers from the ward are to be congratulated. They are Joan Hitchins, Ada Zundell, and Iona Wheable.

A delightful stork shower, held at the D. Melvin Hart residence in Oakland, June 20, was given by Annabelle Hart in honor of Roma Kuhre. Assisting were Ada Zundell and Iona Wheable. Approximately thirty guests were present.

Roma is organist and teacher in the Junior Sunday School in Oakland Ward.

Dr. W. B. Hales, BYU Visits Berkeley Son

Dr. Wayne B. Hales, professor of physics and mathematics at Brigham Young University, and Mrs. Hales came to California to see two sons receive Ph. D degrees in science.

On Friday, June 20, they attended exercises at the University of California at Berkeley in which Richard Hales of Berkeley First Ward will be awarded the Ph. D. in nuclear physics. He has been working in the radiation laboratory with the huge cyclotron.

Richard Hales married Mary Smart at BYU and they have two daughters.

The Hales also drove to Los Angeles to see their oldest son J. Vern Hales, receive the .Ph. D degree in meteorology at UCLA on Sunday, June 22. Vern Hales is chairman of the meteorology department at the University of Utah. He married Lucille Farnsworth and they have four children.

Another son, Wilson Hales ,an M. D., member of the staff of the Ogden clinic, specializes in nose and throat diseases.

Another member of the scientific family, DeLos Bown, a son-in-law, will receive the Ph. D. degree in chemistry next fall from Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Pleasant Hills Ward

By Dorothy Matthews

BISHOPS MESSAGE

In Church activity we can serve our fellow men, develop our talents, find soul-satisfying answers to life's great questions, find the strength to live righteously each day and find the deepest and truest friendship of life.

May the Lord help us all accept fully His plan for the good life, and to be faithful and delligent in His service.

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt—but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven—for where your treasure is there your heart be also."

Bishop Joseph Roy Hilton

PRIMARY

Primary, starting June 18, will be held on Wednesdays at 10 o'clockt at the same place the Women's Club House.

Impressive Seagull graduation exercises were held May 26 at the V. L. Christiansen home for 7 girls. The girls and their teacher gave a clever skit which was followed by remarks and presentation of the graduation certificates by Bishops of both wards, Joseph R. Hilton, and Robert G. Larsen. Those receiving certificates were: Joyce Bolar, Beverly Cherrington, Lucy Christiansen, Linda Curtis, eannette Smith, oan Uffens, and Shella White. The Mutual president, Lone Buskirk and Beehive teacher, Margaret Openshaw were on hand to accept the girls from Primary President, Oral Burrows.

MUTUAL

Pleasant Hills ward had a very good representation at the Conference in Salt Lake City. Among those attending from our Mutual officers and teachers were: Roy Cella, Ione Buskirk, William Mickeldenn, Virginial Uffens, Velda Coffin, Walter Scott, and Herb Macey. The confeernce was reported by these people as "More spiritual, beautiful, exciting and tremendous than our dreams had ever anticipated."

Concord Ward News

By Ellen R. Cook

Allen Peterson nas given up his work in the district to devote his time to Boy Scout troup 168, newly organized and sponsored by the church.

Glen Hill is the assistant scout master, Wm. Arnold is explorer advisor. Robert Spears is the institutional representative, and Owen Cook chairman of committee, with the following committeemen: Kenneth Gilliam, J. D. Terry, Billy Bush, Brigham Young and George Barber. Meetings are scheduled for Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. at the Boy Scout Hall which members of the priesthood have renovated.

The MIA presidencies have been sustained as follows: Young Women's organization: Bess Lee, President; Marian Dansie, Manual Counselor; Rhoda Hinckley, Activity Counselor; Jean Drumiler, Attendance Secretary.

Young Men's organization: Robert Spears, Superintendent; J. Joseph Durant, Activity Counselor; Dee Moore, Manual Counselor.

Activity get acquainted parties have been held for the Bee Hive girls and also for the Mia Maids and the Junior Gleaners. The summer program has been set up for activity consisting of swimming alternating with recreation play day each week.

RELIEF SOCIETY

The first Relief Society meeting of the Concord Ward was held at the home of Alice Hanson, June 12. Geneve James represented the Stake Board, and Jessie Shaw, 2nd Counselor in Martinez Ward and Bertha Facer, of Martinez Ward were also visitors. Marie Barber is President; Natalie Sant, Alice Hanson are Counselors; Wilma Lee, work director; Jean Paquette, Sec. and Treas.; Bee Markham, Theology Teacher; Iris Creer, Literary Teacher; Ellen Cook, teachers topic; Wilma Lee, Chorister. Sister Barber presided and gave a faith promoting story and Wilma Lee presented the friendship theme. A similar meeting will be held on the 10th of July at Alice Hanson's. These meetings are held in the evenings during the summer to enable young mothers to attend and enjoy.

Bishop Ira J. Markham's Message

Concord Ward is growing. Numerous problems have to be solved.

Organizing a new ward is not easy. Special problems of housing and a rapidly expanding ward population, increase the problems accordingly.

We appreciate the spirit of our new ward. We are also impressed with the enthusiasm and ability of the priesthood and auxiliary officers and teachers.

We trust each member of the ward will make a special effort to get acquainted with our new members and make them feel at home. To all our new members, we offer a hearty welcome and urge that you join with us in the activities of the Church.

San Francisco Stake Conference

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love' 'within the home.

Music for the opening session was rendered by the Stake Primary Chorus under the direction of Marie Davis Russell.

The afternoon session of San Francisco Stake Conference was conducted by President Serge J. Lauper. He emphasized that the development of a complete faith in God will enable to overcome all the afflictions and trials of his life.

Ann Wynn, Gleaner Girl representative of the Stake.

Keith Price, a BYU student, sondergaard, stake missionary and recent convert.

recent convert, spoke briefly..

Hugh Nibley, visiting representative of the Brigham Young University, stated that if a person fills the conditions which the Lord has laid down for securing a testimony of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, then he shall gain for himself a testimony that God lives.

Milton Robertson, President of the Chinese Mission, encouraged members to support the Church by living the principles of the Gospel.

Music for the afternoon session of Conference was furnished by the San Francisco Ward Choir under the direction of LaVon Pardini.

At the first session of San Francisco Stake Conference, a special missionary meeting, was held on Saturday evening, June 7th, Elder Peterson explained a plan of Gospel preesntation for missionaries.

MIA Excursion Train Goes To Salt Lake

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were reduced $15, while the pleasures of the trip are specifically enhanced.

The view was expressed by those who saw the large and happy delegation from Los Angeles district that a similar plan could be devised for the October and April General Conference as well as the June MIA gatherings for the San Francisco Bay Area.

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Work To Start On L. A. Temple

With the cutting of the hay (wild oats and weeds, that is) on the temple site a couple of weeks ago, the actual beginning of construction of facilities on the property is being eagerly awaited by Church members.

Long in the planning stage, and what seems just as long in the approval stage by the various building and planning commissions of the City of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County, the final plans are expected to be completely ready for the go-ahead signal very shortly

Members of the church building committee have been in and out of Los Angeles almost as regularly as the Los Angeles Limited ever since the plans were first filed with the city last fall at the time of the ground-breaking ceremonies. As one member put it, "I thought I knew what red tape was until I ran into the Los Angeles building restrictions and requirements. You can really get involved."

Oakland Clebrates Utah Pioneer Day

The Oakland Stake will gather Saturday July 26, at Arroyo Vejo Park in East Oakland to celebrate Utah Pioneer Day which comes July 24.

The Primary will sponsor a parade for the children at 10:30 a.m. After lunch games for both old and young will include contests, races and soft ball providing fun for all.

Bonfire and program in the evening. Story telling will be under the direction of Speech Directors, Flossie Ingram and Kay Lesuer.

At 9 p.m. comes the dance of the day at Alameda recreation hall. Dancers are invited to wear pioneer costume.

George Southgate, William Moody Visited In Salt Lake

George E. and Effie Southgate, former active members of Berkeley Ward before it was divided and now residents of Salt Lake City, were again visited by many while attending the MIA Conference in the city by the salty lake.

The report is that George is not well, but that Effie is in the best of spirits. George is still carrying on the tailoring business by means of the help of Bro. Olson, son-in-law and others, and hopes that the Lord will see fit to heal him so that he may go on a mission to his beloved England.

William Moody, also an old Berkeley resident, now living in Salt Lake and doing much temple work, was visited and found to be in fine health and spirit. He is eighty years old but looks much younger. He and his wife, an English lady of fervent Gospel spirit, are living in their own apartment house where they have four or five rentals to care for. George, Effie and William send greetings to friends.

Goings and Comings

(Continued from page 5)

R. L. Turner and family of Delta, Utah were here for a weeks visit with their daughter, Nellie Stanworth, and her family of Pinole.

Concord and Martinez Wards

Bishop Evenson and family, Owen Cook and family, the Ruel Browns and Juddy Lees of the older generation and Don McKinney, Sharon Lee, Ronald Hughes and Eleanor Vom Dorp of the younger generation spent a most pleasant week end over Memorial day at the Browns and Lee's sabins at Cassadero on the Russian River. They took a trip to Fort Ross and saw many relics. Carol Cook found a shovel from the early days, also some cockery.

The Kenneth Skidmores and the Gordan Barney's families went to Yosemite for Memorial day week end.

Sister Marie Barber has just returned from Salt Lake where she visited her family.

The Les Korths drove to Salt Lake for there summer vacation. Lora Skidmore and three children went with them to the funeral of Lora's brother, Lucian Black.

Sister Jean Paquette has gone to Idaho to visit her parents.

Betty Gerber the former Betty McKinney from Provo, Utah is visiting her family the Ruel Browns.

George and Rudger Lee's Mother has been here visiting.

Owen and Ellen Cook have both been very fortunate in having their parents, Brother and Sister Cook from Tremonton, Utah and Brother and Sister Rich from Brigham City as summer visitors.

Brigham and Naomi Card of Edmonton, Canada have been here visiting with Naomi's sisters, Marjorie Crooks and Norma Erickson. Mrs. Card is the former Naomi Keet. Brigham Card is a teacher at the Edmonton College in Southern Alberta. Lucertia Markham and Kay Creer have returned from a big year at BYU.

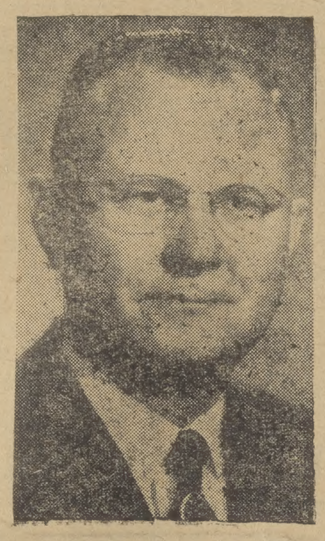
Dimond Ward

Members on vacation include: Esther Decker and girls attended the MIA Conference in Salt Lake City and visited relatives; Lottie Smith and children, and Donna Pearce and children visiting relatives in Oregon; Doug Swanson has been East on business for two weeks. His wife and children, the Weindorf families, the Elmo Smiths and the Gene Hiltons have been spending time at the Clear Lake summer homes. Mr. and Mrs. Austin Rainey attended the MIA Conference, and while in Salt Lake City were sealed in the Temple.

EZRA TAFT BENSON
kin to Senator Taft

Ezra Taft Benson, apostle, and Robert A. Taft, U. S. Senator, are now found to be on the same genealogical branch, according to word from C. W. Curran of Yuba City, California, a research genealogist. In fact he states that the apostle and the senator are cousins.

Reed A. Taft, son of Ezra Taft Benson, flew to Hamilton Field, California where he will begin service as the third LDS chaplain in the air force. He is 24 years old, a BYU graduate and a returned missionary. He was set apart by his father.



DELBERT L. STAPLEY

Delbert L. Stapley of the quorum of Twelve attended the quarterly stake conference ot Santa Rosa stake conference at Sacramento, May 24 and 25, 1952. Paul C. Child represented the Gen. Church Welfare Committee and Clarence Tyndall the BYU.

Sacramento stake presidency consists of Perry E. Tingey, president, with counselors Fanton L. Williams and Erastus A. Hansen. The stake membership was reported as 5149 in 1951 residing in nine wards and three branches, Sacramento itself having four wards, and the Spanish Branch.

Small Things At June Conference

● Altho the U. of U. stadium normally holds 30,000, it was packed with 35,000 spectators for the MIA Dance Festival June 14 while an estimated 15,000 could not gain entrance. The 6,000 performers, in their grand opening and final appearances, filled the entire playing field.

● The Tabernacle also proved inadequate for the great "General Sessions" of the poular June Conference.

● Crawford Gates' easy yet vigorous and masterful leadership of the mixed chorus of over 1000 voices was a feature of the Music Festival. His arangement of Annie Laurie was practically exquisite, while the "Oklahoma" selection drew the greatest applause. Elder Gates wrote "Promise Valley" and currently is in the BYU music department.

● Some Conference visitors took time out between sessions to visit the DUP Pioneer Museum and the Primary Hospital. These great structures were reported as worthy of the Church's tradition of appropriate, dignified buildings.

● General authorities were featured in each general session of the Conference.

● The Deseret Book was a busy hive during the MIA Conference. A generous book sale increased the zest for the best in LDS Books.

● Two of the general authorities seemed to be in frail health and were helped in and out of the Tabernacle. These were Thomas E. McKay and John A. Widtsoe. Elder Delbert L. Stapley of the Twelve was home ill and thus unable to fill a place on the program.

● Payson First Ward's 29 eagle scouts were presented to the last session of the Conference. This is a top scouting record among the wards of the Church.

● George D. Hughes, formerly a high Counselor of Berkeley Stake and now busy in Palo Alto stake, was one of the leaders of 35 lesser priesthood boys of that stake who came to the Salt Lake Temple to do baptismal work for the dead.

● The MIA relays were run on the University stadium just preceeding the Dance eFstival.

● The Roslyn Hotel on Main across from ZCMI was headquarters for several Oakland Stake Mutual-ites. Manager Bro. Hanks, is the father of Flord Sears, stake YL president in Oakland.

● Bishop Wirthlin urged a campaign by MIA to provide each home of the Church with "The Library of the Lord," consisting of the four standard works of the Church, besides other good books.

● "It is amazing how many of our young people have never opened the covers of the Bible or memorized one passage," said Elder Mark E. Peterson.

● Winner of the Church relays was Mesa Ward in hotly contested and record-breaking finals which the throng gathering for the Dance Festival enjoyed for one hour preceding the dance program.

CHURCH-WIDE NEWS

The first president of the first stake of California, George W. McCune of Los Angeles, was honored at a large house party May 24, in that city. President McCune, well-known also, in the San Francisco Bay area, became president of the original Los Angeles Stake when it was organized in 1923. He has been active in civic and Church affairs for many years in the Southland. Leo J. Muir, author of the two-volume work now completed, "History of Mormon Activities in California," served as counselor to President McCune. Dr. George F. Harding was the other counselor.

● In a little over two years San Fernando Stake in Southern California has increased by 2000 members, having at the present time over 6400 on the stake rolls, 400 of these coming into the stake since the first of the year.

● A Latter-day Saints' Section of the Los Angeles Limited U.P. train carried several hundred happy excursionists to the MIA Conference. The round trip fare, including tax was $24.97 as against regular fares of $40.37 including tax. This is an annual event, as is also the train excursions for the April and the October confeernces.

● Elder A. Hamer Reiser, formerly General Secretary of the Deseret S. S. Union, and manager of the Deseret Book Company, and currently in the automobile business with an in-law in Idaho has been called to preside over the British Mission. He will thus replace in that position Elder Stayner Richards, who has been appointed a new Assistant to the Quorum of the Twelve.

● The Church has recently acquired from the Utah Woolen Mills a modern, fully equipped "Deseret Woolen Mills" located in Murray, Utah.

● Altho Finland has been opened to the preaching of the Gospel only for five years, yet there are now in that land one LDS chapel, and six apartments and houses have been purchased by the Church for holding meetings.

● The Church News of June 4 shows a picture of President Claude W. Nalder of the Central State Mission and his two new counselors, one a practicing attorney and the father of eleven children, one of whom is his law partner, two at the BYU, and one a returned missionary. He is David L. Hiatt. The other counselor is a young Elder Baldwin, a missionary. Pres. Nalder is the former bishop of San Francisco ward.

● The same issue of the Church News shows a picture of the "Singing Elders," a group of eleven missionaries who are meeting with great success in the Central States Mission, having been recently organized and sent out by President Nalder. From February until the last report May 25 the "Singing Elders" had given 283 programs before 75,000 people, and added 57 radio programs in between times.

● The LDS president of the South Indiana Branch of the Church is also the warden of the United States Penitentiary at Terra Haute. Distinguished also in Boy Scout work in the community he has recently been presented with the Silver Beaver Award for distinguished service in the Wabash Valley Council of the Boy Scouts of America with headquarters in Terra Haute. He is J. Ellis Overlade, a Utahn and a BYU graduate who has made government work his career after securing a master's degree in Accounting and Business Administration. As warden he directs the work of 275 employees and about 1100 prisoners.

● Golf enthusiasts in the Church are now for the second year able to compete for all-Church honors in that field of sport, says the announcement from the MIA General Board. The Church Golf Tournament will be played July 28-30 at the Ogden Golf and Country Club. Head of the special golf tournament committee for the MIA is Clark Stohl who formerly lived and labored in Berkeley stake. Oakland stake is now engaged in the elimination contests and will have a player in the Ogden Tournament in late July.

President David O. McKay was a recent visitor in California. He came into the San Joaquin Valley in the middle part of May and dedicated two chapels in Fresno Stake. On Saturday May 17 he dedicated an attractive chapel at Avenal, a small but lively and growing Branch of only 68 members. In the evening of the same day he dedicated a well designed chapel at Merced.

In Fresno at the stake conference on Sunday, May 18, president McKay joined with the Fresno stake in celebrating its first anniversary. Over 900 members were in attendance. The president spoke at all three meetings. "Remember the worth of the individual soul," he counseled.

1700 UTAH INDIANS GET $340,000 OIL BONUS

Oil lease revenue earned by the Ute Tribe at the Ft. Duchesne Reservation in the Uintah Basin in the eastern part of the state of Utah on 32,000 acres of their land since January 1952 amounted to a total of $34,000 and was paid out at the rate of $200 each to 1700 claimants May 27 at Roosevelt, Utah, according to a dispatch to the Deseret News of that date. Technicalities on land titles have held up a larger bonus at this time.

This amount is more money than these Indians have been used to receiving at one time, but it is small in comparison to to their total assets which under a judicious program is being used to build homes for these sons of the sagebrush to take them out of their teepes. Electric wiring is also being installed in many existing Indian houses, and 500 Ute children have undergone a slow transition into public schools, while education and health programs are now being carried out extensively throughout the tribe, since they were awarded their share of a $32,000,000 judgment.

Some 64,000 acres of fertile land is now in process of being cleared, leveled, and developed into crops.

BYU NEWS

PROVO—Dr. Arthur R. Watkins, professor of European culture of Weber College will return to the Brigham Young University campus next fall as associate professor of modern languages. The son of U. S. Senator Watkins he became interested in languages while in France and Switzerland on a Mission for the Church. Stanford conferred the Ph.D on Professor Watkins.

An intensive course of Executive Leadership was only one of several classes offered during BYU Annual Leadership Week in June.

"Leadership is a skill which can be learned just as any other skill can be learned," said Dr. Merrill A. Reed, chairman of the course. "Last year we had 150 executives attending these sessions regularly, and now have about 200 for this year's coursc."

'PUBLIC SPEAKING TRAINING'

"Some missions having programs are the Northwestern, Northern California, Central Atlantic, North Central States, and Western Canadian Missions" said Dr. J. La Var Bateman of the BYU speech faculty in his leadership week class in Public Speaking, June 16-20.

According to Dr. Bateman, specific training is needed in our Church public speaking, in Sunday School and Mutual Improvement Association programs and in small group discussion, in oral reading of the scriptures, poems, stories. "We are a nation of 'silent readers,' and few people can read interestingly aloud," he said. Finally, there is need for training in radio speaking, as prospective missionaries may have to use a microphone both in public address systems and in radio stations.

The Brigham Young University will add two new departments for the new school year; engineering and nursing; erect a new building, the Family Life Center; and add twenty one new members to the faculty, twelve of them with the Ph.D, degree in their respective fields. Most distinguished among the 21 is Dr. Harvey Fletcher of Columbia University and the Bell Telephone laboratories.

Delivering the bacculaureate sermon to the BYU graduates Sunday, June 1, Elder Mathew Cowley declared, "there is no victory of value unless we follow the Oracles of God, unless we follow the Voice. You and I are here today because the Oracle spoke."

Dr. Ranker Tells Way To Bless Children

Although the naming and blessing of babies is one of our most common ordinances, it is a matter of observation that most children do not receive a name and a blessing but rather they receive a name and a prayer asking God The Father to bless them, in the name of Jesus Christ. At a recent Fast Meeting in one of our Wards, six children were presented—of these, six of them received names, one of them received a blessing and five of them were prayed "over" and "for." This ordinance is not provided in order to ask God to bless these children. When thus pronounced in prayed and supplication, these children do not receive the benefits of a convenant and God is not bound.

Some Firsts For Utah

"The touch of the mountain sod has made Utahns strong" declared Dr. Aldous Dixon, president of Weber College at the graduating exercises at the University of Utah Monday June 2, 1952. This and the character of the people has wrought such miracles as a death rate of 6.9 per 1000 while that of the nation is 11.19 per 1000; a birth rate of 26.8 per 1000 for Utah compared with 20.5 for the nation; illegitimate births in Utah were only 10 per 1000 population as compared with the national average of 40.5 per 1000; only 26.8 robberies per 1000 while the average for the mountain states is 79.3 per 1000."

QUORUM NEWS

Sam Doxey has been made 1st Counselor in the First Quorum of Elders of Berkeley Stake. Sam was born in Portland, Oregon, raised in Los Angeles, and took accounting at the BYU where he also met his wife Elaine Hendrix of Lund, Nevada whom he married in the Salt Lake Temple. Sam worked in an accounting firm until the Navy called. He is still stationed at Treasure Island. Sam's hobby is photography; his favorite sports are swimming and basketball.

Weston B. Seegmiller, the new Secretary of the First Quorum of Elders, Berkeley, was born at St. George; he served as a missionary 1942-44; entered the military service; studied at the Dixie Junior College and the BYU, where he also met his wife, La Rue Battison of Riverton, Utah, whom he married in the St. George Temple. Weston is studying in the School of Architecture at the U. C., teaching Sunday School and Priesthood classes, and serving on the the Stake Sunday School Board.

Carvel Dansie has been called to the presidency of the Sixth Quorum of Elders, Berkeley Stake. Carvel was born in Salt Lake, came to California in 1940, served two years in the California Mission, and was called into the service. While attending a Gold and Green ball in Atlanta, Georgia, met his wife, Marion Shirley of Atlanta, whom he married in the Salt Lake Temple. Carvel is now personnel manager of the Pioneer Rubber Company. When he has time he likes to hunt and try his hand at amateur photography.

King Hinckley, 1st counselor in the Sixth Quorum, Berkeley Stake lives in Concord; he had been employed as an engineer for Westinghouse Electric Corporation in Pittsburg, Pa., King was born and raised in Salt Lake City, attended at the U. of U., served three years in the Army, graduated from the U. of U. He married the former Rhoda Soren, also of Salt Lake City. They now live with their two children in Concord Village. He is now working for Westinghouse Electric Corporation, San Francisco Engineering Dept-

FIFTH QUORUM SWIM PARTY

Members of the 5th quorum, Berkeley Stake, their wives and childern enjoyed a delightful evening of swimming at the new Albany pool Saturday, May 31st. Everyone reported a wonderful time.

HIGH PRIESTS PARTY

High Priests of the Berkeley First and Second Wards met Sunday evening, June 8th, at the Berkeley Chapel honored two of their members, Stanley Patton and Frank J. Parsons. More then eighty members and their wives attended. A humorous reading by Sister Farr and a recording of Paul's defense before Agrippa by brother Parsons highlighted the program which was under the direction of Brother Fred Huish. Refreshments were served.

Louis Celentano has succeeded Charles Chester as counselor in the Elder's Quorum of Mission Ward.

The Alameda Elder's Quorum helps support missionaries by monthly movies in the recreation hall.

The Maxwell Park Ward Elder's Quorum held a weiner smorgasbord June 7th. There was a good crowd who spent an enjoyable evening, and are now looking forward to the big corn boil in August.

News and Views on the Book of Mormon

By Thomas Staurt Ferguson, Attorney

The annual meeting of the Central States Anthropological Society and the Society of American Anthropology which met in Columbus, Ohio May 1-4, 1952, and at which Elder Ferguson read a paper on "Joseph Smith, Mormon Prophet, and American Anthropology," also heard papers read regarding the American Mound Builders by experts in this field of research. We produce part of a report on this phase of American archeology sent to us by Brother Ferguson after his return from Ohio. —Editor.

Many illustrated lectures were read on discoveries and exacavations in various parts of the United States It was noted that none of disclosed any high cultures such as those described in the Book of Mormon. It is the personal opinion of the writer and a number of students of The Book of Mormon that none of Jaredite or Nephite history, as recorded on the golden tablets, took place north of Mexico, this view was confirmed at the convention. The primitive stone and bone work and ceramics found in the United States do not meet the high requirements of the culture of Jaredites and Nephites.

Papers were read on such topics as "The Westfield Site: A Key to Prehistoric Iroquois in Western New York," "The Late Prehistoric in the Upper Ohio Valley" and "Style Analysis of Hopewell (Ohio) Art." The highest of these cultures in Ohio, New York, Missouri, Virginia etc., are far below the cultures of Jaredites and Nephites and date long after the close of The Book or Mormon.

SPORTS

GOLF TOURNAMENT SET FOR JULY 27-29

The Church's Golf Tournament, to be played at the Ogden Country Club July 27, 28, 29 will climax stake elimination golf now going forward in many stakes of the Church.

According to Harvey Hansen, Oakland Stake's Athletics Director, that stake is already playing competitive golf and will take an estimated fifty contestants to Ogden for the July Golf Tournament. Harvey Hansen states that Division Twelve, which includes all of Northern California, is granted an open number of contestants at the finals. Any number, large or small, may play July 27-29 in Ogden.

It is explained that local eliminations as well as the Tournament playing will be by flights in order that each contestant may have equal chances because he will be playing against players of his own ability. Assignments of players into the specific flights will be determined by scores made by each individual at his first playing.

"SOFTBALL"

In Ookland Stake's softball league Oakland ward won first half honors, with Hayward second and San Leandro third. Oakland ward won all of its six first half games.

Wedding Bells

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of June in Sunset Ward.

Pittsburg—A bridal shower was held recently at the home of Sis. Juanita Skolmoski honoring Miss Shirley Gibbs, who became the bride of Roger Mableby on June 24th. Assistant hostesses were Merna Carrol and Majorie Ruth.

The following couples attended a dinner given June 12 in honor of Miss Shirley Gibbs and Mr. Roger Magleby at the home of Bro. and Sis. J. Harold Magleby, parents of the groom to be: Bishop and Mrs. LaFarr Astle, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gibbs, Mr. and Mrs. William Furnell,, Mr. and Mrs. Don Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ruth, Mr. and Mrs. Burns E. Magleby, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Skolmoski, Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. Magleby Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Willard Searson, Mrs. Elva Hunt, and Miss Gloria Magleby.

Their 40th Wedding Anniversary was celebrated on June 2nd by Bro. and Sis. J. Harold Magleby at a surprise party given by members of their family.

"Stock-Yard Stomp" Stake Barn Dance

San Francisco and Berkeley stakes are invited to join Oakland stake in their Stake Barn Dance, Friday June 11.

The committee simply say, "Wear Farm Clothes."

APRON SALE

Martha Behan is selling aprons which she makes in order to raise money for the proposed Maxwell Park Chapel. She makes Hostess and also Waist aprons which she sells at $1.50 each.

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John Shields, Former Oakland Bishop Dies

John G. Shields, 70, who once served the original Oakland Stake as high councilor and later as bishop of Oakland Ward died at a local sanitarium June 26. Funeral services were held in the Oakland Ward chapel June 27 with former Oakland bishop, Rulon Doxey and J. Edward Johnson formerly a member of the Oakland Stake presidency as speakers.

Elder Shields who passed after years of illness is survived by his wife, Annie M. Searle Shields, four sons Ray, Jack, Kenneth and Donald, three daughters Mrs. Lois Mellana, Mrs. Melba Venturi, and Mrs. Yvonne Nickolette, twelve grandchildren, and one great grandchild.

John G. Shields was born in Tooele, Utah February 3, 1882, and came to Oakland in 1923 and entered the grocery and building businessesses, and then served as liquor control officer for the State. He had early in life served a mission for the Church, and everafter was very active in Church work in stake and ward Sunday Schools, genealogical work, high councils, and bishoprics.

The first Fireside organization, now functioning throughout the Church is commonly credited to Bishop Shields in 1936 or 1937. It began as a continuation of some genealogical classes that had been meeting after Sunday night meetings, and consisted at first of the reading of Church books. Other Oakland wards took it up and from that it has spread Churchwide.

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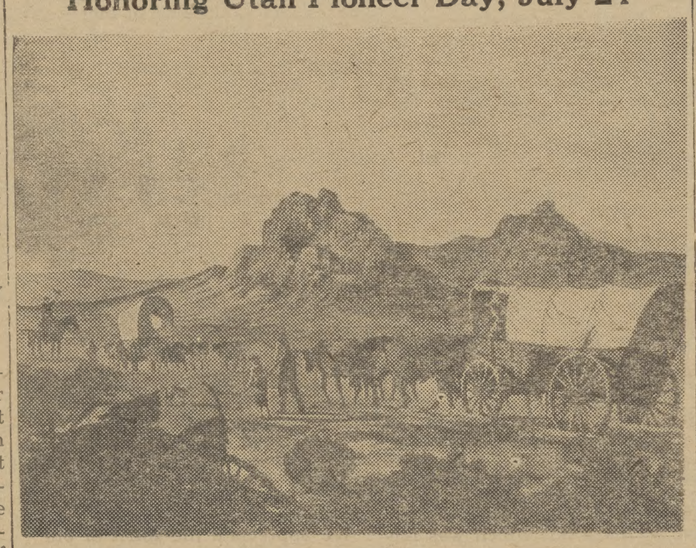
Offices of General Church Music Committee Now Adjoin the 'Lion House'

Formerly located in the Church building at 50 North Main Street, the General Music Committee of the Church will henceforth be ensconsed in the historic little building at 69 East South Temple in which Brigham Young once had his office when serving as Governor of the Territory of Deseret. It stands between the Lion and the Bee Hiv houses.

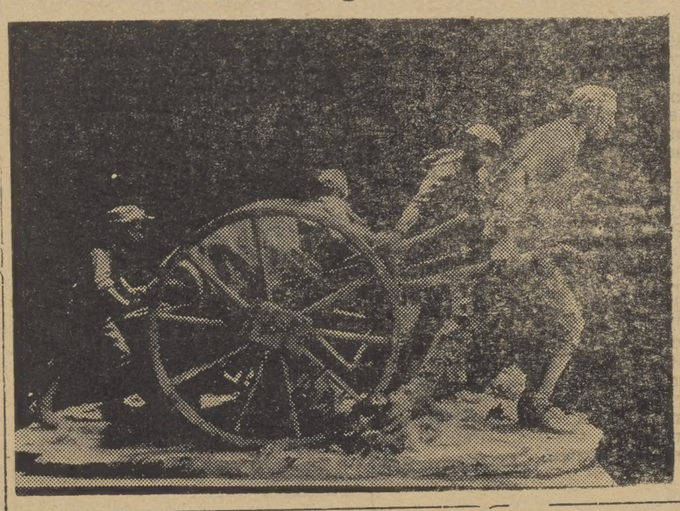
The Chuch Music Committee, which has sought to enhance the spiritual and devotional qualities of Church services thru the use of sacred music that touches the heart and exalts the soul, is composed of six Church musicians of the first water judged by their personal achievements. They are Frank W. Asper, Alexander Schreiner, Tracy Y. Cannan, chairman, N. Lorenzo Mitchell, J. Spenser Cornwall, and LeRoy J. Robertson.

The work of the Music Committee is carried on under the direction of three advisers from the council of the Twelve: Elder Harold B. Lee, Elder Spencer W. Kimball, and Elder Mark E. Peterson. Representatives of the various Church Auxiliaries also meet with the General Music Committee from time to time. Mrs. Carol D. Cannon, secretary of the committee handles a great volume of correspondents from musicians around the Church.

Honoring Utah Pioneer Day, July 24



Utah Pioneers Moving West By Ox Teams



Utah Pioneers Moving West By Hand Cart

Ten to twelve companies of Latter-day Saints crossed the Plains to Utah in the years 1856, '57, '58 and '60. None came before 1856 and none after 1860. All told it is estimated that between four and five thousand LDS thus made their way to Salt Lake Valley.